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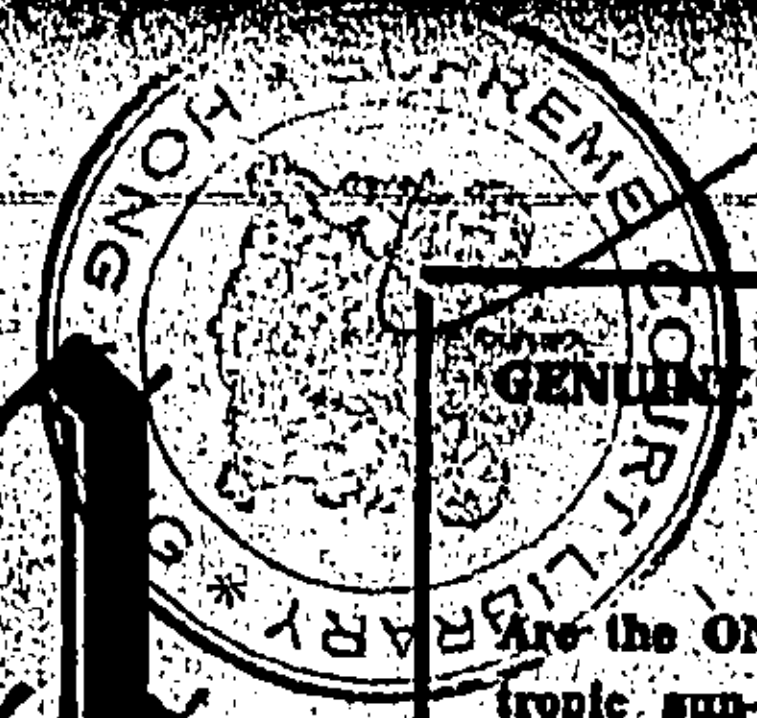
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CHANG READY TO EVACUATE.

REARGUARD ACTIONS.

Important Council of War Held in the Capital.

A CONFIDENT PREDICTION.

Neither Peking nor Tientsin has fallen but the Nationalist allies are now perilously close. That Marshal Chang Tso-lin is about to evacuate in a day or two and withdraw into Manchuria—if the Japanese will permit him to do so—is confidently predicted in several sources.

On the other hand, the Northern troops in the eastern sector are still prepared to contest every inch of the Southerners' march to Tientsin. One of the Generals here is said to be distinguishing himself in rearguard actions.

A council of war has been held in Peking and the general withdrawal and retreat is to be left in the hands of Chang Tso-lin's son and the chief of staff.

"DIEHARD" GENERAL.

Peking, Yesterday.
The Nationalist allies have resumed their attack on the Northern armies and are advancing towards Peking—British Naval Wireless.

Too Late Now.
Opinion in Chinese circles is that it is now too late to attempt to stem the tide. Marshal Chang Tso-lin's departure from Peking in the next few days is a foregone conclusion, and experts think that his troops will be allowed by the Japanese to travel along the railway to Mukden, back into Manchuria.

It transpires (according to cables to the "Kung Sheung Yat Po") that the "Christian General's" Kuomintang pierced the Northern front in more than one place, and that Paoingfu (in the western sector) fell at about the time the collapse began.

War Personalities.
The Kuomintang's most famous fighter, General Lu Chung-lin, who defended Peking and Tientsin against heavy odds a few years ago, is directing the Southern allies in the centre, that is, in the sector where most danger threatens Peking.

General Sun Chuan-fang, who has been pushed back all the way from Shanghai, is still said to be fighting determinedly in rearguard actions. Another Northern General is falling back, and General Chang Tsung-chang, who lost Shantung and then kow-towed to Marshal Chang Tso-lin for his defeat, is rumoured to contemplate severance from the Northerners, with a view to surrendering to the Nationalists of Shansi.

Council of War.
Shanghai, To-day.
Marshal Chang Tso-lin called a council of war on May 30 to discuss plans for the evacuation of Peking and the general withdrawal of his armies from the war front.

It was decided that these important movements be directed by General Chang Hsueh-liang (the son of Chang Tso-lin) and General Yang Yu-ting (chief of general staff).

Paoingfu's Fall.
The Northern army which evacuated Paoingfu retreated to Luliho and called a halt at Kaopei-tien. Railways and telegraph lines south of Chang-hsien-tien have been cut.

The Shansi Nationalists entered Paoingfu on the morning of May 31. The whole city now flies Nationalist flags—"Wah Keung Po."

DEBACLE BEGINS.

One Corps Mutinies, Others Desert.

Tokyo, Yesterday.
A message from Tientsin says that as a result of reports that Paoingfu had fallen, the Northern forces on the Peking-Hankow Railway are retreating. The Northerners along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway are disorganised and have lost their fighting spirit. Many are deserting—Reuter.

Communications Suspended.
Tokyo, Yesterday.
A message from Tientsin states that although the Northern army, after withdrawing from Paoing-

fu, was expected to make a stand at Kaopei-tien and Luliho, the majority have fallen back as far as Chang-hsien-tien, although a headquarters has been established at Luliho.

All communications south of Kaopei-tien, also the railway between Peking and Tientsin have been suspended—Reuter.

Front Pierced in Centre.
Shanghai, Yesterday.

A mutiny in the 8th Northern Army corps has enabled the "Christian General," Feng Yushiang, to pierce the centre of the northern front at Hokenfu.

It is reliably reported that his forces are within 18 miles of Tientsin and are advancing overland slightly to the west of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, their probable objective being the interruption of Tientsin-Peking communications—Reuter.

"Cause" of Withdrawal.
Peking, Yesterday.

The Peking authorities state that the fighting during the past ten days has not been severe. Their army has not suffered a defeat, they state. Their casualties number only 2,500.

The withdrawal is due to the 8th army corps, which refused to fight longer and retired north owing to propagandists falsely informing them that Marshal Chang Tso-lin, his families and all their officers have proceeded to Manchuria.

The withdrawal of the 8th army corps has necessitated the others falling back to straighten the front—Reuter.

FIGHT OR RUN?

Northerners To Evacuate Peking.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

According to information reaching Japanese headquarters, Marshal Chang Tso-lin has decided to withdraw from Peking. There is a report that a portion of the Northern armies is already proceeding to Mukden.

Consequently, the Japanese military authorities expect the Southerners to occupy Peking very shortly—Reuter.

A Contradictory Version.
Peking, Yesterday.
As a result of a conference of the Northern military authorities it has been decided not to evacuate Peking at present but to defend the (shortened) line from Luliho to Machang.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin is seeing the Diplomatic Corps on Friday in order to assure them that he will continue to be responsible for the protection of foreign lives and property in Peking—Reuter.

Every Inch of the Way.
Shanghai, To-day.

It is still being mentioned in Peking that the Northern army in the eastern sector (i.e., on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway) is to counter-attack, although it is being forced away from Tsangchow.

One eventually is that every inch of the way to Tientsin may be congested—"Wah Keung Po."

To "Save Face"?
Shanghai, Yesterday.
The (pro-Nationalist) Kuo Min news agency states that Marshal

COBHAM'S VIEWS.

Arrives Unexpectedly at Plymouth.

IMPERIAL AIR-ROUTE.

Refers To Wonderful Opportunity For British Aviation.

Sir Lady and Alan Cobham arrived at Plymouth from France this evening in their giant flying-boat after travelling 20,000 miles on a survey flight around Africa.

Interviewed by Reuter Sir Alan Cobham said he was convinced that there was a wonderful opportunity for British aviation within the empire particularly in Africa. He was of opinion that the cost of establishing an air-route would be almost nil—Reuter.

Chang Tso-lin is handing over the control of the Peking Government to Tuan Chi-jui (a former Chief Executive) as a "face-saving gesture."

It adds that Chang Tso-lin, as soon as he departs, will issue a statement announcing his withdrawal to Manchuria and his retirement from politics.

Ready to Clear Out.

He is leaving on special trains which are standing by in readiness to convey him and his entourage to Mukden.

The Kuo Min agency also reports that according to a message from Peking, the Shansi (Nationalist) plain-clothes corps has been reported only seven miles from the capital—Reuter.

Japanese Seek Safety.

Peking, Yesterday.
Many Japanese civilians are entering the Legation quarter to-night from other parts of the city, for safety—Reuter.

TIENTSIN CORDON.

How the Defences Are Being Shared.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Although the Southerners may leave Tientsin on their right and march on direct to Peking, the position in Tientsin naturally gives cause for anxiety.

As a precautionary measure a defence line has been formed by foreign forces on a perimeter of approximately 10 miles, mostly protected by marshy ground, and held by a series of posts. The British line is 6,000 yards long, the American 5,500 yards, the Japanese 3,500, the Italian 2,000 and the French 1,500.

Numbers of Foreign Troops.

The forces consist of 5,000 Japanese with 12 field guns and 16 aeroplanes; 3,700 Americans with 16 field guns and 12 aeroplanes; 1,500 British with two aeroplanes; 380 Italian marines; 2,000 French with 14 field guns.

The foreign defences of Tientsin are mainly on 5½ miles of dykes constructed in 1917 for the protection of the Concessions from floods—Reuter.

Americans by Themselves.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
It is understood that the Chinese troops will be permitted the free use of the Tientsin Central railway station which is the junction of the Peking-Mukden and the Tientsin-Pukow railways.

The Japanese general, Lt. Gen. Araki, is the senior commander of the foreign forces.

Attempts to co-ordinate the precautionary arrangements have been weakened owing to the decision of the United States, which does not possess a concession, to pursue an independent line of action. It is understood that the American commander, General Smedley Butler, has been instructed that he has freedom of action, but that as most American nationals have withdrawn from threatened points, clashes with the Chinese must be avoided, and action based on American Treaty rights—Reuter.

Tientsin Position.

Tientsin, Yesterday.
General Yasumitsu, on May 25 handed the Chinese Generals an ultimatum to evacuate Tientsin to-morrow. Everything indicates the Chinese Generals' compliance—Reuter.

I live in a perpetual state of wondering what the Home Secretary is going to do next—Miss Ellen Wilson, M.P.

A.P.C. SHIPS FIRED AT.

Guards on British Craft Reply.

"SOME CASUALTIES."

Yang Sen Winning on the Upper Yangtze.

Ichang, Yesterday.
The Asiatic Petroleum Co.'s ships "Shukwang" and "Tingkwang" have been fired at by Chinese on the banks of the Upper Yangtze River.

The "Shukwang" was going down from Wansien to Ichang; the "Tingkwang" from Ichang up to Wansien.

Armed guards on these British vessels returned the fire and some casualties on shore were observed.

The latest trouble is due, it is presumed, to the campaign between General Yang Sen and his rivals who occupy territory further up (i.e., to the west of Ichang and Wansien)—British Naval Wireless.

Advance on Chungking.

Wansien, Yesterday.
It is reported here that General Yang Sen, in his march up the Yangtze, has won a victory and

INTERPORT CRICKET.

United Services' Big Score at Shanghai.

In the second of the interport cricket matches at Shanghai, the United Services had made 285 runs for 8 wickets at the lunch interval to-day.

Closing scores when stumps were drawn yesterday will be found on page 9.

It appears that he is now advancing further on Chungking—British Naval Wireless.

Distances along the Yangtze are as follows:
From the mouth of the River to Ichang, 670 miles.
From Ichang to Wansien, 132 miles.
From Wansien to Chungking, 330 miles.

Previously, Yang Sen's opponents held the territory above Wansien. They took Wansien and have since been pushed back. Their "capital," Chungking, is in no danger.

FOR AMERICA!

ANXIETY BEING FELT AS TO SPANISH FLIERS.

NO NEWS RECEIVED.

Madrid, Yesterday.

Much anxiety is being felt in official circles owing to the lack of news from Jimenez and Captain Iglesias, especially in view of the rumour that they secretly flew to the Atlantic—Reuter.

[The following telegram, dated Seville, May 29, stated:—The

THE WEATHER.

S.E. winds, moderate, overcast, rain in the forecast until to-morrow at noon.

The anti-cyclone has passed into the Pacific. Another is central over S.W. Manchuria. The depression over the Gulf of Tongking has deepened slightly. The Formosa depression has deepened and moved to the north of Oshima.

Spaniards, Captain Jimenez and Captain Iglesias, have started eastwards on a world flight in an aeroplane called "Jesus Del Gran Poder." It is a Breguet machine built in Madrid with a single 600-horsepower Hispano-Suiza engine.

Landed in India.

Madrid, Later.
It is reported from Baghdad that Jimenez and Iglesias have landed about 200 miles from Karachi—Reuter.

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S. AFRICA'S FLAG.

Natives Holding Demonstrations.

STRIFE IN CAPE TOWN.

National Flag Attacked: Union Jack Respected.

Cape Town, Yesterday.
A large crowd, mostly of coloured people, have been forming processions in the streets of Cape Town, headed by a band of the native organisation of the Independent coloured Workers' Union and carrying banners inscribed "Africans arise," "Away with slavery," "Down with anti-native slave laws."

The crowd tore the National flag from passing motor-cars and loudly cheered the Union Jack. They also attacked the police with stones, and the latter were compelled to make several baton charges.

There were two arrests, were after which the crowd dispersed.

Speeches on the Flag.

General Hertzog, (the Premier) said the flag was the lasting symbol of South Africa's independence, power and the authority and the Union Jack—the second flag of the Union—did not fly as the flag of Great Britain but as the flag of the Union expressing the association of South Africa with the British Commonwealth of Nations.

General Smuts said that those who participated in the settlement of the flag question hoped that finally had been reached. As long as it was possible successfully to maintain the peace and unity of the country and the people external matters of institutions mattered little.

Excited Crowds.

Police reinforcements from throughout the Peninsula are being drafted into the city to cope with the threatening situation which has increased since yesterday morning.

The streets at midnight were seething with excited crowds and ugly scenes were witnessed. Motor-cars, carrying miniatures of the new Union flag, had their windcreens smashed.

On the contrary, vehicles with miniatures of the Union Jack were untouched. A dozen police and a large number of coloured persons were injured. There were 90 arrests—Reuter.

Flag Unfurled in London.

London, Yesterday.
There was an unusual ceremony in Trafalgar Square this morning, which consisted of the simultaneous unfurling on South Africa House by Prince Arthur of Connaught of the Union Jack and the new National Flag of South Africa on the occasion of South Africa's union day. This synchronised with a similar ceremony in Cape Town.

High Commissioner Smut read an address of welcome to which Prince Arthur responded. Both stressed the significance of the historical event.

Besides a great crowd there was a distinguished gathering of South African and British officials and diplomats. The band played "God Save the King"—Reuter.

UNSETTLED MEXICO.

BOMB EXPLODES DURING

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

A GENERAL DISMISSED.

Mexico City, Yesterday.

A bomb exploded last evening during the presidential election campaign at headquarters. Little damage was done, and there were no casualties.

The explosion occurred in a room which happened to be empty, although the building was crowded elsewhere.

General Jose Alvarez, the Chief of Staff to President Calles, has been dismissed from his post for smuggling merchandise into Mexico with the connivance of certain foreigners. It is reported that he has been arrested and put in jail.

Mr. H. C. Smith, the American

foreman of the Santa Gertrudis Mine, near Pachuca, has been murdered by an unknown man, who shot him in the head while he was driving to the mine—Reuter's American Service.

ANTI-NIPPONISM.

MORE CHINESE AT MAGISTRACY.

EIGHT CONVICTIONS.

Translations of Inflammatory Leaflets.

APPEALS TO "BROTHERS AND SISTERS."

Eight more Chinese were brought before the Magistrate to-day—five at the Central Court and three at Kowloon—all of whom were charged with offences similar to that against the "bannerman" who last week was sentenced to nine months' hard labour.

Translations of leaflets were submitted, from which it appeared that the primary cause of the anti-Nipponism was the recent events at Tsinan in Shantung.

"RUNNING DOGS."

Five more Chinese, one arrested in Hospital-road, West Point, and the other four on the reclamation at Wanchai, were this morning sentenced to nine months' hard labour each, by Lieut. Col. F. Eaves, D.S.O., acting First Police Magistrate.

In passing sentence, his Worship referred to the cases as being similar to the one in which a man was convicted for carrying a banner, and therefore the sentences on the accused would be the same. His Worship made similar remarks as on the last occasion to the effect that if during the next three months this unlawful propaganda ceased, he would consider making a recommendation to the proper authorities for the remission of the rest of the sentences passed.

The first case heard this morning was one against the man who was arrested in West Point, on May 22. He was charged with the unlawful possession of nine anti-Japanese leaflets and with unlawfully distributing them.

He pleaded "guilty" to both charges.

A translation of the leaflets, made at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, which was put in by Detective Sergeant Whant was as follows:—

"To our brothers and sisters in Hong Kong:
The Japanese Imperialists sent their fleet and brutal soldiers to Tsinan to burn and kill our brothers and sisters. How can we, brothers and sisters in Hong Kong, allow the Japanese to usurp our Tsinan City in Shantung?"

Brothers and Sisters! Are you hoping to unite China first before we take up the question of Tsina? The betrayers of our country only want to unite China and then surrender the whole of her to the Imperialists. We are hoping that the Kuomintang will capture Peking and then discuss the question of Tsinan. But Chiang Kai-shek's Kuomintang has accepted the five demands of the Japanese Imperialists. The Kuomintang has not reached Peking yet. When the Kuomintang reaches Peking, Peking will surely be sold too. Why the Kuomintang wants to surrender this to the Imperialists? Because she has lost the support of the peasants and workmen. The Kuomintang has killed the people and concluded the unequal treaties. If the Kuomintang captures Peking, it will mean that it is captured by the Imperialists. Why the Imperialists want to kill our people? Because we have not been active and forgot the spirit which we showed during the Canton and Hong Kong Strike. We have to fight against the Imperialists and be active to get the question of Tsinan settled ourselves. Let us shout loudly.

"Overthrow Chiang Kai-shek, who has betrayed our country and killed our people. Overthrow the Imperialist fleet and brutal soldiers. The success of the Northern expedition is only the success of the Imperialists. Oppose the five demands of the Japanese Imperialists, which have been accepted by the Kuomintang."

Facts of the Case.
Asked by the Magistrate to give the facts of the case, Sergeant Whant said that at 4 p.m. on May 22, acting Sergeant Kelly found the accused in Hospital-road, at the junction of Eastern-street. He had a number of leaflets in his hand, which he did not distribute, but threw them on the ground as

he walked along. A number of Chinese boys who followed the accused picked the leaflets up. Sergeant Kelly then arrested the accused who had another nine copies of the leaflets in his possession. The Magistrate then passed sentence as stated above.

Four From Wanchai.
The case against the four men arrested at Wanchai was then proceeded with. They were:—

Li Yau (23) described as a fitter employed by the Public Works Department;

Fung Lam (31) described as of no occupation and no fixed abode;

Lo Mei (38) described as a coolie living at No. 2, Tai Wong-street; and

Li Chong-shang (27) described as a shoof living at No. 118, Praya East.

The original charges against the accused were, (1) possession, and (2) distribution of pamphlets containing matter which had not been passed by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

The first and third accused admitted the charge of possession and denied distribution, whilst No. 3 said with regard to the distribution charge that someone gave him some of the pamphlets, and as he could not read, he passed them on to others in the crowd. No. 4 denied both charges.

With regard to No. 4, Detective Sergeant Whelan asked permission to drop the charge of possession of pamphlets and to prefer two other charges which were handed up to the Magistrate.

Col. Eaves agreed.

The new charges against No. 4 were (1) that he on May 21 did behave in a disorderly manner on the reclamation at Wanchai by getting a crowd together and addressing them for the purpose of teaching them what to do; and (2) causing a crowd to collect, thereby causing an obstruction to the public road.

The accused denied both the new charges.

The Magistrate suggested to Sergeant Whelan that if the accused was convicted on the more serious charge, the police would withdraw the other counts.

The Sergeant agreed.

His Worship then called evidence.

The Evidence.

Chinese Police Sergeant No. 845 said that at about 3.45 p.m. on May 21, he went to the Wanchai reclamation together with Sergeant Whelan and several other Chinese policemen.

On the reclamation he saw the first accused standing on a stool with a crowd around him. The crowd numbered about 150 Chinese. Standing on the ground by the side of the stool were the other three accused.

No. 4 was delivering a "lecture" to the crowd when the witness arrived, and the witness stood amongst the crowd and listened to the accused's speech.

The first statement the witness heard the fourth accused make after his arrival was a reference to Chiang Kai-shek whom he described as a "running dog."

The Chinese, the witness said, would understand this expression to mean that Chiang Kai-shek was a traitor. The accused also upbraided Chiang Kai-shek for according to the five demands of the Japanese Imperialists, which had been accepted by the Kuomintang.

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Sun.	3 m 0	4.4	0.9	2 33	3
	10 10A	4.2	4 0	3	1.
Mon.	4 m 7	7	7.6	3 54	3
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Tues.	5 m 9	31	7.3	3 41	3
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.....	生	粉	19	8	1.8	3
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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on **TUESDAY**, the 5th day of June, 1928, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years commencing from 1st July, 1928, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Boundary Measurements	Containing in Sq. Yds.	Annual Rent	Usual Price
1	ft. in. ft. in. ft. in.	1,071	1.071	1,330
As per sale plan.				

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Boundary Measurements	Containing in Sq. Yds.	Annual Rent	Usual Price
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Malcolm Smith, 2 May Rd., from Great Pyburgh.
Sachs Kreolin, from San Francisco.
Worship, from Saigon.

E. A. LEGGATT,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 31st May, 1928.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on **MONDAY**, the 4th June.
Hong Kong, 31st May, 1928.

NOTICE.

AS from To-day's Date we have authorised Mr. HENRY WILLIAM MOON to act as Manager of our Insurance Department during the absence of Mr. FREDERICK CHARLES HALL.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
Hong Kong, 31st May, 1928.

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.
(St. Joseph's College.)

PAST Pupils and Friends of St. Joseph's College, Hong Kong, as well as past pupils of Colleges of the Christian Brothers elsewhere, are invited to attend a general meeting of the above Association at the College on **TUESDAY**, the 5th June, at 6 p.m.
Hong Kong, 31st May, 1928.

NOTICE.

I HAVE appointed Mr. G. A. H. POTTS as my attorney to act for and on my behalf under the style of ELLIS HAYIM, Share & General Broker as from 1st June, 1928.

ELLIS HAYIM.
Hong Kong, 28th May, 1928.

MACAO RACES.

Ninth Extra Race Meeting.
SUNDAY, 3rd June, 1928.
First Race 1.30 p.m.

Public Enclosure .. 40 cents.
Members' Enclosure .. \$1.00
RACE STEAMERS:
Hong Kong to Macao:
SUI AN .. 8.30 a.m.
TAISHAN .. 9.30 a.m.
Macao to Hong Kong:
SUI AN .. 3.30 p.m.
TAISHAN .. 6.30 p.m.
By Order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong on **THURSDAY**, 7th June, 1928, at 12 noon for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1928.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from **SATURDAY**, 2nd June to **FRIDAY**, 8th June, 1928, both days inclusive.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 28th May, 1928.

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THE FORTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on **WEDNESDAY**, the 20th June, 1928, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th June to 4th July, 1928, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 29th May, 1928.

MR. GEORGE MOORE.

SPEAKS OUT ON EDUCATION FOR WOMEN.

SCATHING COMMENT.

Mr. George Moore, the veteran author, was up for the first time in two months after his long illness. When a London "Morning Post" representative saw him in a nursing home in London he seemed almost as pleased over that fact as he was over the production of his play, "The Making of an Immortal."

After discussing the reception of the play and the way in which it came to be produced, Mr. Moore gave his impression of modern literature and women. He said: "I absolutely refuse to speak about my living contemporaries, because there is not one worth talking about."

"As regards those who have died recently, Thomas Hardy could not write two lines of correct English together, and instead of being considered a master of English country life, should have been considered more like a country schoolmaster. Besides, as is evident in 'Tess', he had no insight into human nature."

"Then, to take another example, Conrad's works will be dead in a year. Anyone could write the sort of stuff he wrote about barges floating about in green-blue hazes."

"No Outstanding Genius."
"In my opinion, this generation is the most sterile of any there has been in the way of literature. There is not one outstanding genius."

"It is as ridiculous for women to think that they can compete with men as it is to suppose that with a wave of a stick it is possible to turn a white rose bush into a red one."

"Women were far better off when they sat up in a tower embroidering beautiful tapestries rather than patting balls over a net from one year's end to another. There was something lasting in that tapestry, but what is coming of all this ball patting? Nothing."

Mr. Moore blamed education, of which he said there was far too much, particularly for women, who ought to work with her hands rather than her brain.
Speaking of his play, Mr. Moore said he was thrilled at it, but not so thrilled, as some people thought, because he said he had worked hard for 40 years to gain that recognition, and after all that time the keen edge of pleasure had worn off.

He started "The Making of an Immortal" four years ago. An American said it and gave him \$450—"which" (said Mr. Moore) I thought was a very good sum for it. The result was that soon after it was printed the Manager of the Arts Theatre saw it, and this is the happy result."

STANDARD TIME.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

Sunrise	Sunset
a.m.	p.m.
1	5.38
2	5.38
3	5.38
4	5.38
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18	5.39
19	5.39
20	5.39
21	5.39
22	5.39
23	5.40
24	5.40
25	5.40
26	5.40
27	5.41
28	5.41
29	5.41
30	5.42

"Anti-Communist" writes to the "Straits Times" in answer to "Citizen," who protested against the sentence of life imprisonment and flogging recently passed on the Communist Wong Teck Chai. "Anti-Communist" points out that if this man had been handed over to the Cantonese Government he would have been executed, concluding: "If every Communist in Singapore, active or not, were given a sound flogging and immediately banished, the rest of the community would be the better off."

THE VOLUNTEERS.**KING'S BIRTHDAY PARADE.****FULL PARADE ORDERS.**

The following orders have been issued by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Commandant:—

O. C. Units will submit their orders every Wednesday, for ensuing weeks, to be included in Corps Orders published on Fridays.

King's Birthday Parade.

Monday, June 4, 1928.—The Corps will take part in this parade at Happy Valley at 9 a.m. on Monday, June 4, 1928.

Fall in at Happy Valley, Football Ground at 8.10 a.m.
Two special trams will leave the East Bound Stopping place foot of Garden-road at 7.45 a.m.
Dress: Review order, khaki, helmets, khaki jackets, medals, shorts, putties, hosetops, belt and bayonet, rifle and sling.

Scottish Company will conform, dressed in the kilt, as for G.O.C.'s Inspection, wearing helmets.
Mounted Infantry and Motor Cycle Section will be employed on special escort duty.

Nos. 1 and 2 Companies: The Battery, Engineer Company, Corps Signals, Armoured Car Section, Infantry Company and Reserve Company.

No. 3 Company: Scottish Company.
No. 4 Company: Portuguese Company.

Officers for Colours: Lieut. M. G. Noll and 2/Lieut. H. R. Forsyth.
Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters to-day, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m. or 5 and 6 p.m. and on Saturday, June 2, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

In the event of the parade at Happy Valley being cancelled a ceremonial march past the Cenotaph will take place instead, in which case the Corps will fall in at Volunteer Headquarters at 8.50 a.m.

Dress: In future leather belts will not be worn by any N.C.O. or Man on parade, web belts only will be worn.

Arms.
All rifles will be handed into store immediately after the King's Birthday Parade for the annual inspection.

O. C. Scottish Company to make special arrangements with the Corps Sergeant-Major.

Lecture.
Major W. F. Hanna, M.C., will deliver a lecture on the Kirkpatrick Reconnaissance Scheme at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.45 p.m. on Friday, June 8, 1928.

The Battery.
Lecture on Theory. This will be given at Corps Headquarters on Thursday at 6.00 p.m. This is a voluntary parade.

Mounted Infantry.
All ranks will parade at Stables at 5.45 p.m. for King's Birthday rehearsal parade on Friday, June 1. Full dress, helmet, khaki jacket, breeches, putties, bandolier and rifle.

Thursday, June 7. Parade at Stables at 5.45 p.m. Plain Clothes.

Infantry Company.
The Company will parade as strong as possible on Monday, June 4 for the King's Birthday Parade, details as per Corps Order No. 2.

Recruits will parade on Friday, June 8, at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters under L/Sergt. Terry. Dress: Mufti, belt and sidearms.

N. C. O.'s Class. There will be a series of N.C.O.'s classes in the Vickers Machine Gun held during the summer months every Friday commencing on Friday, June 15, at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Dress Mufti. All N.C.O.'s and those who wish to qualify for promotion are invited to attend.

Scottish Company.
King's Birthday Parade. The Company will parade at full strength in Review order (helmets) at the Football Ground, Happy Valley at 8.10 a.m. on Monday, June 4, 1928.

Musketry Part I. All ranks of the Company who are liable for firing of Part I must do so on Sunday, June 17, at Taikeo Range. Details later.

Portuguese Company.
King's Birthday Parade. The attention of all ranks is called to Corps Order No. 2.

All N.C.O.'s and Nos. 1 and 2 of Lewis Gun Sections will parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, June 5, 1928, at 5.30 p.m.

Corps Band.
All ranks will parade as strong as possible at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 5, 1928.

Strength.
The following recruits are taken on the strength and posted as under:—
No. 1824, Gr. E. Moses, The Battery, as from May 22, 1928.

QUEEN'S

STRANDED IN PARIS
SUNDAY & MONDAY

No. 1825 Pte. A. F. E. Silva, Portuguese Co. from May 23, 1928.
No. 1826 Gr. A. S. Bliss, The Battery, from May 30, 1928.
No. 1827 Pte. H. R. Pinna, Portuguese Co. from May 30, 1928.

Appointment.
The following extract from the Hong Kong "Government Gazette" No. 23 dated May 25, 1928, is published for information:—

"His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint Lance-Sergeant Robert Keith Valentine to be Second Lieutenant in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from May 23, 1928."

Command.
Captain E. J. R. Mitchell takes over command of the Infantry Company, as from May 15, 1928.

Lieut. J. Norrie-Owen takes over command of No. 2 Platoon, as from May 18, 1928.

2/Lieut. R. K. Valentine takes over command of the Armoured Car Section, as from May 24, 1928.

Transfer.
No. 643 Pte. A. W. Summers is transferred from the Mounted Infantry Company to Motor Cycle Section, Armoured Car Company, as from May 22, 1928.

Leave.
The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps:—
Major S. J. Jordan, M.C., from May 25, 1928, to June 14, 1928.
No. 1171 Pte. W. D. Russell, M.I. Co., from May 23, 1928, to August 22, 1928.

No. 1258 Signaller W. C. Simpson, Signals, from June 23, 1928, to June 22, 1929.
No. 1261 Gr. H. F. Sullivan, The Battery, from May 25, 1928, until returning to the Colony.

Struck Off.
Having left the Colony:—
No. 1253 Corporal F. Cowherd, A. C. Co., as from June 1, 1928.

No. 1289 Pte. W. Lawrence, No. 10 Platoon, as from May 1, 1928.
Having completed three years' service and claimed his discharge, as from May 14, 1928.

No. 367 Spr. G. S. Kennedy, Skipton, Engineer Co. (Field Sec.). Having failed to complete the requirements of Efficiency, as from May 7, 1928.

No. 958 Pte. J. F. Ferialta, No. 9 Platoon.
No. 1098 Pte. J. M. Silva, No. 9 Platoon.

Notices.
No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club will hold their next meeting at the Peak Range on Sunday, June 3, at 9.30 a.m. It is hoped that all members will be able to attend.

Portuguese Company.
The Company will compete in the Soldiers' Club Billiard Tournament, will intending players kindly communicate with Pte. E. A. Remedios—Telephone C.185.

Bathing Picnic.
A launch will leave Blake Pier at 5.15 p.m. sharp on Thursday, June 7, for a Bathing Picnic. Those willing to join are requested to send 75 cts., to L/Cpl. C. F. V. Ribeiro, c/o Hong Kong Realty and Trust Co., Ltd., Exchange Buildings.

The fund for the promotion of chemical research and experiment in France organised in connection with the centenary of the birth of Marcellin Berthelot, the great French chemist, who was born in 1827, now amounts to over \$160,000.

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KITANO MARU Saturday, 16th June.
HARUNA MARU Saturday, 30th June.
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TANGO MARU Wednesday, 20th June.
AKI MARU Wednesday, 25th July.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.
SADO MARU Monday, 11th June.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.
RAKUYO MARU Thursday, 31st May.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.
WAKASA MARU Saturday, 9th June.
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
KUMA MARU Monday, 11th June.
ASUKA MARU Saturday, 10th June.
LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.
DAKAR MARU Monday, 11th June.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
MORIOKA MARU Sunday, 10th June.
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AKI MARU Friday, 22nd June.
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RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.
MANILA MARU Saturday, 30th June.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
CELEBES MARU Sunday, 3rd June.
TACOMA MARU Thursday, 21st June.
INDUS MARU Thursday, 5th July.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOJIBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
CHICAGO MARU Friday, 1st June.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
SHUNKO MARU Thursday, 5th July.
SEATTLE MARU Wednesday, 25th July.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai and Japan ports.
AFRICA MARU (From Shanghai) Thursday, 31st May.
ARIZONA MARU Monday, 11th June.
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI Friday, 8th June 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.
HAVANA MARU Middle of June.
JAPAN PORTS.
ATLAS MARU Tuesday, 5th June.
SOURABAYA MARU Friday, 8th June.
KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
HOZAN MARU Sunday, 3rd June Noon.
KISHU MARU Sunday, 10th June noon.
TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
DELI MARU Thursday, 31st June 10 a.m.
TAKAO & KEELUNG.
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IN NORWAY.

PROPOSED ASSISTANCE OF THE STATE.

CREDIT OBTAINED ABROAD.

At the beginning of last November a Stavanger newspaper made an appeal to the chief director of the Bank of Norway, asking to take the initiative in the direction of securing co-operation between the parties directly interested, so as, if possible, to get the Norwegian shipbuilding industry on its feet again. Mr. Rygg, the director in question, acceded to this request, and the Bank of Norway was the means of bringing about the appointment of a committee representing the various branches concerned. As it recently became known that the committee had just dealt with an important point, Mr. Rygg was asked to express his opinion concerning the present position of the matter.

Mr. Rygg is reported to have stated that the shipowners' association was induced to send a circular to its members with a request that those who wanted to contract for ships should enter into negotiations with Norwegian yards with the object of getting the price difference equalised. In the same way application was made through the shipbuilders' association to its members to manifest all possible interest during the negotiations with the shipowners. The question was to ascertain whether, by means of mutual accommodation, it would not be possible to reach building prices which could be accepted by Norwegian shipowners.

The director proceeds to say that the main problem is to reduce the costs of production. In this connection not only are the wages of importance, but the question is also to get working on an even and continuous basis. Hitherto the workmen would continue, there only having been jobs for some few months. If, however, sufficient orders were obtained and the men got the feeling that after one contract was finished it would be

followed by others, quite other conditions would be created for rational working and intensity on the part of the men. During the negotiations between the shipowners and the shipbuilders it was shown that a difference exists between the prices in Norway and those abroad, but this difference has been diminished. Moreover, the activity at the yards in Oslo is now considerably greater than last year, and the hope is expressed that this will continue gradually also in the case of the other parts about the country.

The Question of Credits.

Naturally one must be prepared for disappointments at the beginning, and in this respect Mr. Rygg states that it has been shown that the credit conditions are a decisive matter. The credit conditions offered abroad are so favourable that orders have been placed in other countries, notwithstanding that the offers were not so much different from each other as not to have been surmountable. This circumstance brought the committee to the question as to whether some means could not be found during the difficult period of transition for equalising this inequality. Just at present negotiations are proceeding about various orders which would be placed if Norwegian builders could offer favourable conditions of credit.

During these considerations Mr. Rygg states that the committee discussed the question with the Government, which has shown much interest in its solution. The committee have not thought of creating any permanent institution, but simply a provisional credit arrangement. The idea has naturally fallen upon the State Ship Fund, which now has at disposal a capital of 17,000,000 kr. It is thought of employing the fund for lending money on second mortgage on ships built in Norway. There are institutions which can grant the loans in the first place of 50 per cent. of the value of the ship, and the Ship Fund could then advance loans afterwards up to 70 per cent. for a comparatively short time for redemption. That rate of interest must be fixed on a reasonable level, and consequently be applied according to individual cases.

As the matter is a provisional arrangement the question is to find the cheapest possible administration, and the Bank of Norway has expressed its readiness to assist in this matter. It is considered that such a credit arrangement will be a good means for getting the industry in activity again, but at the same time efforts must be made to bring down the costs of production to a competitive level. In conclusion, Mr. Rygg says that the Government has declared its willingness to place before the Storting a scheme such as has been outlined, and the committee have now under preparation an application to the Government in which the basic lines of the proposed arrangement are drawn up.

The Norwegian Minister of Finance is reported to have stated that in the near future the Government will submit a proposal in accordance with the plan sketched out by the chief director of the Bank of Norway, and the matter will be dealt with by the Storting this year. Moreover, the chairman of the Norwegian Ship Mortgage Bank considers it gratifying that something is now being done from an authoritative source to help the shipbuilding industry.

BIAS BAY DRIVE.

CANTON ADMIRAL DRAWS UP SCHEME.

MARSHAL LI'S APPROVAL.

On account of the frequent piracies on the China Coast, states the "Canton Gazette," it is reported that Admiral Chan Chak, Commandant of the Naval Bureau, has drawn up an effective scheme to exterminate the pirates in Bias Bay. As previously stated, a reconnoitring party will be sent from Canton, to be followed by gunboats and marines so that all pirate lairs will be swept out once for all.

This proposed campaign is now before Marshal Li Chai-sum for approval, and it is expected that an expedition will be despatched at an early date.

SINGAPORE'S DOCK.

THE TOURING OF THE SECTIONS OUT EAST.

THE INSURANCE.

London, Yesterday.

Insurance arrangements have just been made to cover the voyage of the new floating dock from the Tyne to Singapore. It is proposed that the dock leave the Tyne in June, and be taken out in two "tows," consisting of four and three sections respectively.

It is understood that the first four sections are valued for insurance at \$550,000 sterling, and the other three at \$350,000. The whole dock is insured against all risks at a premium of 5 per cent., but re-insurances against the risk of total loss have only recently been placed by the underwriters. Offers on the risk were at three, four, and even five per cent.—Reuter.

ON THE CLYDE.

NEW CONTRACTS SCARCER.

Complaint is made in Clyde shipbuilding circles regarding the scarcity of new contracts. Most of the firms have a fair amount of work on hand, but the disturbing features of the situation is that orders are not being secured in sufficient numbers to fill the vacant places on the building berths.

Nineteen vessels of 28,434 tons gross were launched in April, as against twenty-one ships of 33,700 tons in April last year. The productivity for the four months of the year comprises sixty craft, aggregating 199,300 tons, more than double that for the corresponding period last year.

HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1823
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Byrle	1725
Peak Hotel	1305
Tai Koo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (filterbeds)	297
Mainland.	Feet.
Tai Mo Shan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Jeypore" left Shanghai for this port on May 29 at 1.30 p.m. with the Mails, and is due here tomorrow at about 5 a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benlomond" from Leith, Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits left Singapore for this port on May 29, and is due to arrive here on Sunday.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nankin" left Singapore for this port yesterday at 6 a.m. with the Mails, and is due here on June 5 at about noon.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Yokohama on May 23 at 6 p.m., left Yokohama on May 29 at 8 a.m., and is due at Hong Kong on June 4. She will sail for Manila on June 5 at 5 p.m.

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HIRAPURA	6,715	29th June	Straits & Bombay
NOVARA	6,989	30th June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp, Hull
KYBER	5,114	7th July	Rotterdam & Hamburg
RAWALPINDI	16,619	21st July	Bombay, Marseilles, London & Hull
IRANKIN	7,068	28th July	M'los, L'don, A'werp, R'dam & H'burg
KASHMIR	8,985	4th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
RAJPUTANA	16,508	18th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
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tagne have supplied for the
10,000-ton cruiser "Tourville," a
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tion, which gave the ship in the
course of her trials a speed as high
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As in her sister-ship the "Du-
quesne," the propelling machi-
nery of the "Tourville" consists of
four-gear turbines of the famous
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type, and it is noteworthy that the
speed provided for by the contract
was only 34.5 knots, thus being
nearly two knots under the figure
that was actually attained. An in-
teresting comparison can be made
with the last cruiser built in this
country before 1914, the "Ernest-
Renan," whose propelling machi-
nery developed only 36,000 h.p.,
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It is further noteworthy that
no foreign cruiser has so far at-
tained the speed reached by the
"Tourville," which is up to now the
fastest 10,000-ton cruiser in the
world.

As was recently pointed out by
the Societe Andre Fils, which sup-
plied the lubricating oil for the
turbines of the "Tourville," the
speed attained by that ship would
enable her to make the voyage
from Havre to New York in 90
hours.

New 10,000-Ton Cruiser.

The two new cruisers, "Du-
quesne" and "Tourville," are 191
m. long overall, 19 m. broad, and
they have a draft of 6 m. The
armament includes eight 203 mm.
guns, eight 75 mm. anti-aircraft
guns, eight 40 mm. guns, and two
triple 550 mm. torpedo tubes.
They are fitted with a catapult for
the launching of seaplanes, of
which four will be carried on
board. The staff includes 24 offi-
cers, and the crew numbers 580
men. Special provisions have
been made for the comfort of the
crew; accommodations including a
recreation room and a library.

It is learned that the "Du-
quesne" and the "Tourville," which
are now being fitted with their
guns, will participate in the naval
review, which is due to take place
at Havre early in July, in the
presence of M. Doumergue, President
of the French Republic.

Two other 10,000-ton cruisers
are now under construction, viz.,
the "Suffren," which was launched
on May 5, 1927, and the "Colbert,"
which is to be launched from
Brest naval dockyard on April 20.

The "Suffren" and the "Colbert"
are not sister-ships to the "Du-
quesne" and "Tourville"; their
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velop only 90,000 h.p. per ship, as
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Foreign Warship.

The achievements of private
French shipbuilders, as far as
are especially interesting at a time
naval construction is concerned,
when shipyards on this side are
joining forces in order to obtain
orders from foreign navies. While
the recent reorganization of the
Syndical Chamber, under the
chairmanship of M. Rene Fould, is
likely to bring about substantial
results as regards the securing of
foreign orders, special steps are
being taken by certain firms to
arrange for the construction of
warships included in the naval pro-
grammes of foreign countries, as,
for instance, the constitution of
the new group includes the
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iques.

I am in a position to give details
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Greek Submarine.

Evidence of the confidence
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Tiau via Stow & Shai	HANGSANG	Wed., 13th June at Noon
Osaka via Shanghai Moji	NAMSANG	Sun., 3rd June at 7 a.m.
Kobe	KUMSANG	Sat., 9th June at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji &	SUISANG	Fri., 15th June at 7 a.m.
Kobe	YUENSANG	Thurs., 21st June at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji &	FOOKSANG	Sun., 1st July at 7 a.m.
Canton & Calcutta	KWANGSANG	Mon., 4th June at 5 p.m.
Straits & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Fri., 8th June at 3 p.m.
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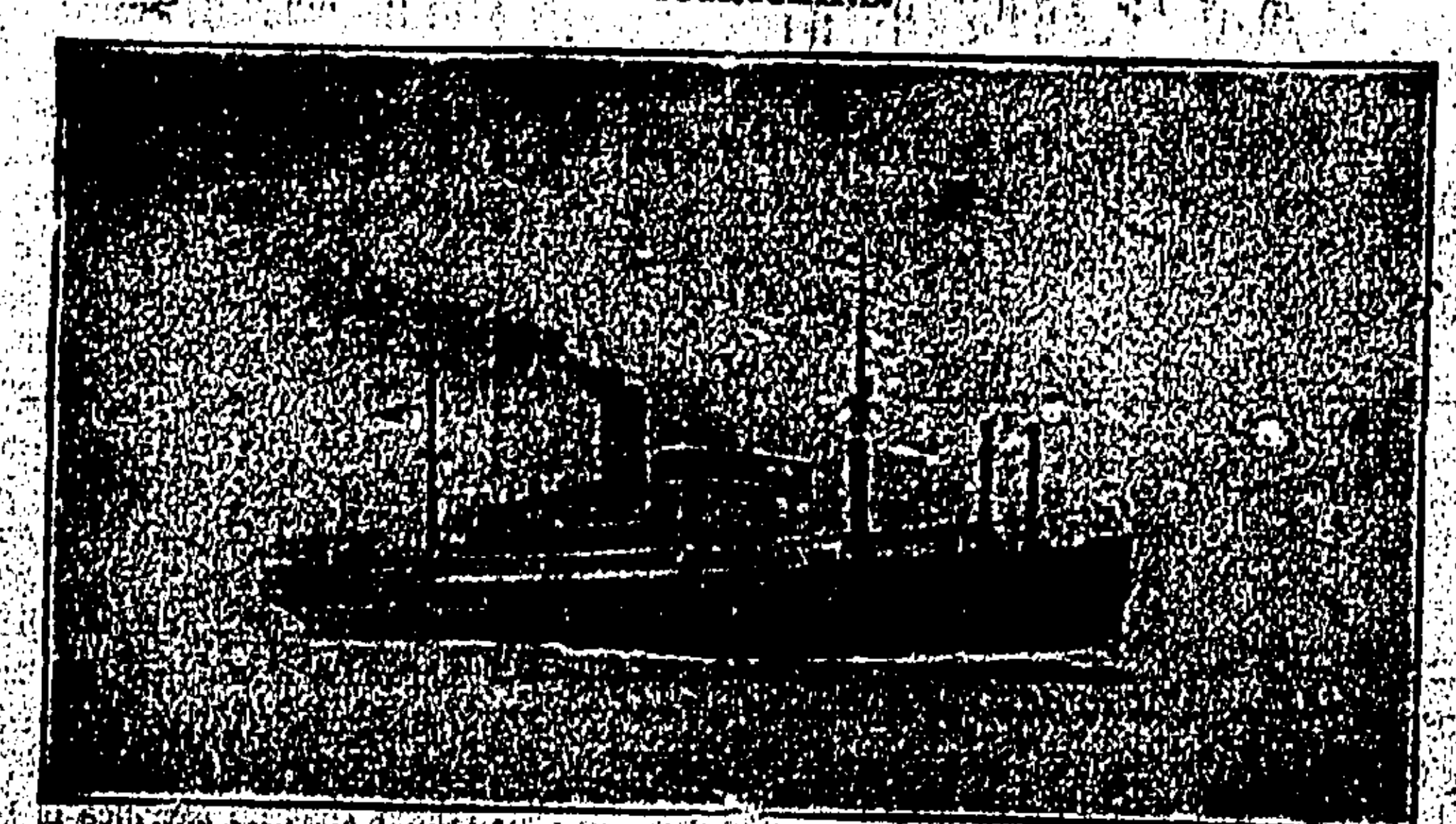
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DISAGREEMENT.

In the hour of travail, disagreement is just as rampant in China as it was at any time since the Nationalist Party began a new era in the struggle for power. Although it has recently scored a series of sweeping victories in the field, the Nationalist Party is still divided—divided in several respects if not entirely against itself. First of all, there was that outcry following Chiang Kai-shek's alleged acceptance of Japan's four terms in settlement of the Tsinan imbroglio. That so-called acceptance, incidentally, has been proved to be unfounded; otherwise developments which were expected would have followed. The Foreign Minister resigns. The conservative element desires his retention. The returned students wish the nominee of the "Christian General" to be appointed. They go so far, according to an authority, as to seek Soviet influence, if not assistance, in opposing the conservatives. And it has to be borne in mind that only a few months ago, the Russian undesirables were expelled from China. There are other bones of contention which have not been so much in the forefront of affairs. Chiang Kai-shek flits about behind the war zone, interviewing his military colleagues, but little union has been achieved among the Southern allies. One section of the Nationalists maintains that no sacrifice is too big provided it hastens the capture of Peking. By this is meant support for acceptance of Japan's demands to pave the way for the final march of the Southern Army and the union of China by force

of arms. Another section argues that national prestige must be upheld at all costs. In other words, Japan must be opposed even though the campaign be hindered.

Conditions are no better in the Ankuechun Government in Peking. From another authority we learn that a number of diehard, fighting Generals in the Northern camp have become defeatists, daily urging Marshal Chang Tso-lin to give up Peking, act on Japan's advice, and get back into Manchuria. Other Generals who, strangely, have a long list of military reverses to their discredit, steadfastly remain jingoists. As far as can be seen, their hope is that Chang Tso-lin will sound the call to arms and throw in the whole weight of his armies.

Their view is that the "Christian General's" Kuominchun and the Shansi army can be crushed easily, even at this stage. Meanwhile Chang Tso-lin continues to sit on the proverbial fence and pleases neither faction. He has not given the actual order to evacuate Peking; nor has he counter-attacked in seriousness. There have been engagements here and there. Then followed a surprise withdrawal. Little attention is being paid to the sphere of diplomacy. Peking's diplomatic officers abroad remain mostly unpaid, and unable to do much to counteract Japan's policy and quarrels prevent anything being done at home.

The boycott, the economic weapon—call it what you will—is in a state of flux. Little official encouragement is given. In fact, the majority of Nationalist provincial capitals urge moderation and patience. That is something to the credit of Nationalist officialdom. Is the attitude sincere though, one asks immediately? If it were, there would not be any under-current of agitation. Facts point to disagreement, even on the boycott policy. One class of people advises certain methods. Others put forward their pet theories. A very small and silent minority is definitely against the boycott. Those who are for the boycott are waiting for a lead. Personal abstention from business with the Japanese has been noticed but it is spasmodic and by no means systematic. The Nationalist Government dares not openly prohibit boycotts talk. Yet it is wise enough to see that no material gain can come by it. Harm may be done to Japan but there is the boomerang effect to be considered. And with neither the Government nor the people deciding one way or the other, disagreement continues.

FELICITATIONS.

MR. G. W. C. BURNETT'S 60TH BIRTHDAY.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS.

All members of the staffs of the "Sunday Herald" and the "China Mail," including the editorial, business, advertising and mechanical departments, together with outside contributors, took part in a unique ceremony yesterday on the occasion of the 60th birthday of Mr. G. W. C. Burnett, the managing director and managing editor.

According to Chinese reckoning, Mr. Burnett was 61, the most auspicious birthday in a man's life.

The gifts of the staff comprised:—a pictorialisation of "Fook, Luk, Sau" (Blessing, Prosperity and Long Life) worked in porcelain, and a blackwood screen with a giant Chinese character "Sau" (longevity) picked out in silver, suitably inscribed, with all the names of the donors on vellum; and also the deities "Fook, Luk, Sau" in carved ivory and inscribed to Mrs. Burnett.

On behalf of the staff, Mr. Harry Cooper asked Mr. Burnett to accept the mementoes, for himself and on behalf of Mrs. Burnett, "to mark in our heartfelt manner our appreciation of a truly auspicious occasion."

"Chinese mythological thoughts are bound up in series of mystic sevens," said Mr. Cooper, "and today you embark on your seventh decade."

In conclusion, Mr. Cooper said: "I have the honour to ask your acceptance of these tokens of our esteem, together with our congratulations on this day of days."

Mr. Burnett thanked the staff and then shook hands with all present, an honour much appreciated by the Chinese, some of whom have been employed on the papers for more than thirty years.

On Mr. Burnett's speech being interpreted, the Chinese staff burst out in a prolonged round of hand-clapping.

The blackwood screen and ivory deities were made by Messrs. Wai Kee, Hong Kong Hotel-building, to special design, and the porcelain work of art by the Yiu Wah Porcelain Co., No. 113, Jervois-street, also to the special design of Mr. Wai Po-cheung.

MR. CHAN TONG.

PASSES AWAY AFTER HIS MORNING EXERCISE.

POPULAR COMPRADORE.

The death occurred yesterday morning, very suddenly at the Race Course, of Mr. Chan Tze-u, a prominent member of the local Chinese community, who, as the compradore of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company, was better known in business as Mr. Chan Tong.

Mr. Chan Tong, a keen sportsman, had been in the habit for some time past of riding a pony round the race track every morning for recreation and exercise. Yesterday morning he went for his usual trot round the course, and having completed two or three rounds, he dismounted.

Soon afterwards the deceased complained of feeling tired and dizzy. Almost immediately, he collapsed and passed away a little later.

Dr. F. Bunje and Dr. C. C. Wong were summoned, and on arrival they at first tried restorative efforts, but soon afterwards pronounced life to be extinct.

Mr. Chan Tong, who was only 43 years of age, had been in the service of the Dairy Farm for over 25 years, starting as a junior clerk and gaining promotion steadily, eventually occupying the responsible position of compradore of the Company.

Widely known among all sections of the community, Mr. Chan Tong's death will be regretted by many foreigners and Chinese, as well as his colleagues of the Dairy Farm, with whom he was very popular.

Besides being a keen horseman, owning the pony "Bright Prospect," which had done well, and several other good horses, the late Mr. Chan Tong was also a lover of shooting. He was also very fond of dogs in the "New Territories."

Much sympathy will be felt with Mrs. Chan Tong and the deceased's family in their sad bereavement.

Rumours that Lord Birkenhead, the Secretary of State for India, is to retire from politics after the General Election, have been revived by reports reproduced in the "Morning Post" of May 2, which state that it is extremely likely that he will accept an offer from a great journalistic combine. Lord Birkenhead denied the truth of the story, that he intended to enter business in the City.

CHINESE SCHOOL.

THE UNIVERSITY PROPOSAL.

AN APPEAL.

The following appeal has been issued in connection with the proposed School of Chinese at the University:—

Just before his departure from the Colony, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, issued a public appeal to the European community for donations with which to found a School of Chinese at the University of Hong Kong. In his letter making the appeal, His Excellency points out that the object of the School is, on the one hand, to encourage the scientific study of the Chinese language, literature, history, philosophy, and archaeology on modern lines, and on the other hand, to afford facilities to Europeans for learning the Chinese language and to acquaint themselves with Chinese thought and customs. His Excellency further says that one of the most urgent needs of this Colony, as he sees it at the present time, is that the barriers between the European and Chinese communities should be broken down; and that this cannot effectively be done until the Europeans, who live and have their business in Hong Kong, acquire a competent knowledge of the Chinese language.

As members of the Committee responsible for raising funds for this worthy object, we venture to commend His Excellency's eloquent appeal to your sympathetic attention in the full belief that it will meet with your generous response.

It is estimated that this scheme would involve a sum of \$60,000 for the school-building, and an annual recurring expenditure of about the same amount for maintenance. The cost of the building has already been promised by a generous donor who desires to remain anonymous for the present; but a capital sum of about \$850,000 has to be raised in order to produce, at 7 per cent. per annum, about \$60,000 a year for maintenance purposes.

It is the aim of the Committee to raise for the present \$300,000 which, at 7 per cent. per annum, would yield \$21,000 a year. Thus we would still be short of \$39,000 for recurring expenses; but the Government already makes to the University an annual contribution of \$18,000 for the English Class for teaching Europeans, and we would therefore be short of only \$21,000, a deficiency which the Committee hopes the Government may make up in the form of an annual grant. When times are better, another could be made to the public for further donations so as to place the School on a more secure basis.

Up to date, the Committee has been able to raise among the Chinese residents about \$175,000, excluding the \$60,000 promised for the school-building; and we earnestly hope and believe that our appeal to our European friends will meet with a no less enthusiastic and generous response.

Donations, which will be acknowledged in the Press, should be sent to, and will be thankfully received by, the Honorary Joint-Treasurer, Mr. T. N. Chau, c/o Messrs. Chun On Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., 8, Queen's-road West, who will give receipts for them.

WOMAN EVANGELIST

MRS. AIMEE McPHERSON & GREAT REVIVAL CAMPAIGN.

IN BRITISH CITIES.

Mrs. Aimee McPherson, the woman evangelist, who created a sensation last year by a romantic story of her abduction by Mexican bandits, is going to Britain in September to conduct a great revival campaign.

She says she will visit London, Glasgow, Hull, Cardiff, Brighton, and other British cities.

She conducted a series of meetings in Britain in 1926.

Like a Film Star.

Mrs. McPherson travels with an entourage comparable with that of a film star. It consists of three secretaries, a Press agent, a business representative, and numerous friends. She is accustomed to be given the reception usually accorded to such celebrities, relates the "Evening Standard."

When she returned to Los Angeles after being, as she said, kidnapped by bandits, she stepped from her train on to a carpet of roses while thousands of her followers, with tears in their eyes, sang "Hosannas" and shouted praises for the return of their leader.

The adventure with the bandits occurred shortly after her return to America from her visit to London. "She disappeared," and was reported to be drowned while bathing. She was found in an Arizona hospital, to which she had been taken in a dazed condition.

PEAK TRAMWAYS.

REPORT FOR NEXT WEEK'S MEETING.

10 PER CENT. DIVIDEND.

The report of the Peak Tramways Co., Ltd., which will be presented at the annual meeting on Thursday next, states:—

The net profit for the twelve months, after deducting directors' fees and general managers' remuneration, and making provision for depreciation amounts to \$62,241.16, to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account \$21,712.59, making available for appropriation \$73,953.75.

The Directors recommend that the amount available for distribution viz.:—\$73,953.75 be allocated as follows:—

Pay a dividend of 10 per cent. on 25,000 shares fully paid up \$25,000.00.

Pay a dividend of 10 per cent. on 50,000 shares \$5,000 paid up \$25,000.00.

Transfer to general reserve \$10,000.00 and carry forward to next account \$13,953.75.

During the year Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. A. S. Gubbay and Mr. J. J. Paterson resigned from the board on leaving the Colony.

Sir Elly Kadoorie, Hon. Mr. C. G. Mackie, Mr. A. B. Stewart and Mr. M. H. Turner were invited to join the Board.

In accordance with Rule 95 (a) of the Articles of Association, the present members, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Sir Elly Kadoorie, Hon. Mr. C. G. Mackie, Mr. A. B. Stewart and Mr. M. H. Turner retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The accounts were audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead & Davis offer themselves for re-election.

MORE HOWLERS.

EXAMPLES OF YOUTHFUL INGENUITY.

Some delightful schoolboy "howlers" are given under the heading "Lighter Side of School Life" in the current issue of the Preparatory Schools' Review. The writer, Mr. W. W. Cheriton, states that, with few exceptions, these efforts come from his own collection.

The fact that "O.M. means 'on the make,' and lots of politicians get these letters" will doubtless be something of a shock to the proud possessors of this order.

"Venison is made out of deer. It is a kind of porridge and is served up hot."

"The reason why you see the smoke out of a gun before you hear the report is because the smoke comes out of the gun before the noise does." This is surely a praiseworthy effort to explain why light travels quicker than sound.

Glorious Apollo.

"Apollo was the King of table waters."

"Holand is a place noted for building wooden ships, because there are often floods which come very quickly, and the people have not time to build iron ones."

"Mobilisation is a question about mobs, in what way they can best be dispersed."

A composition on "Florence Nightingale" states that "The Florence Nightingale was born in the year 1855 the year of the Crimea war it always used to warn the English. If the enemy was near in this way it used to fly about from place to place and then when it saw them it would fly back to the English and make an officer look and it used to fly at the head of the army and lead the way. It died in the year 1906. The result is we have now what are called messenger birds that is that people take a pigeon and pin a letter under its wing and on its leg they put a silver or leather ring."

TEASERS.

Answer The "China Mail" Questions.

TO-DAYS POSERS.

From day to day a series of half a dozen questions, not tremendously difficult to answer but not always so simply solved as may be thought, appear on this page. Answers are given on page nine.

1. Who is the President of France?
2. Who was known as the "Father of the Revolution" in China?
3. What is the highest Bank Rate in recent years?
4. What is the A.O.F.B.
5. Who founded it?
6. What is the standard rate of income tax in Britain?

THE TATTOO.

Forthcoming Military Pageant.

PRELIMINARY MEETING.

Tattoo to be Held in Happy Valley in September.

Although brief, the outline of the scenarios given by Mr. R. Sutherland in the Chamber of Commerce room at the City Hall last evening, gave indications that the Military Tattoo, which it is proposed to hold here in September, will be of a very interesting and picturesque nature. A large proportion of local residents, who were invited, attended last evening's meeting which was convened by His Excellency Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., in connection with the proposed Tattoo.

Supporting H.E. the G.O.C., who presided, were the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Mr. W. L. Pattenden, Mr. R. Sutherland, Lieut.-Col. L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O., and Mr. P. S. Cassidy. In opening the meeting Mr. Pattenden said:—At the opening of the new quarters of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. on Thursday last I made reference to a Tattoo to be held in Happy Valley early in September. Those of you who were present, or read an account of it in the Press, may remember that the Tattoo was referred to in somewhat vague terms. We are now going to put the scheme forward in a more detailed and comprehensive manner for it is realised that, although the Military authorities will predominate, to carry out the scheme on the scale that is intended, in such a place as this, co-operation of the community is essential. With the object of securing this co-operation His Excellency Major-General Luard has asked us to meet him here this afternoon to discuss the matter. I have much pleasure in asking His Excellency to take the chair.

The Project.

H.E. the G. O. C. said:—I have asked you to be good enough to attend this meeting to-day to enable us to lay before you the project we have had in view for the holding of a Grand Tattoo in September next. Our objects in attempting such a thing, which I believe has never before been held in Hong Kong are as follows:

- (1) The hope of making some money for Service charities and then to assist the new Naval and Military Depot at the City Hall and enable that very popular institution to keep its head above water.
- (2) To give everyone something to think about outside their daily routine in the hot weather in preparing for it.
- (3) To give a really good show of the type held during recent years at Olympia, Aldershot, etc. and which we hope, everyone including the Chinese, will enjoy.

The Civil Element.

Our particular object, gentlemen, in asking you to attend this meeting is:—

- (1) To enlist your sympathy in the undertaking and to explain it to you.
- (2) To ask for some financial backing to enable us to start it, which will be explained later.
- (3) To inform you that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been approached on the subject and has promised to give the movement his patronage and that the Government will render all assistance possible.
- (4) To form the various committees necessary to carry on.

The idea of holding this tattoo originated in the mind of Colonel Comyn who has experience of them as done at Home as an entirely Military show—he has made all enquiries regarding the tournament held at Shanghai not long ago and I will ask him to say a few words on the subject presently to explain how it stands from a Military point of view.

But on this occasion we propose to go further than they do at home or did at Shanghai, as we propose to bring in the civil element also, i.e., the Fire Brigade, St. John Ambulance, etc., and being fortunate enough to have amongst us a quite exceptionally experienced producer in the person of Mr. Sutherland, we propose to introduce a scenario amongst other things. I will, presently, ask Mr. Sutherland to give you a general idea of what is proposed.

Sympathy, encouragement and a little financial backing. Gentlemen, is what we want, and I will now ask Colonel Comyn to address you.

Military Standpoint.

Lieut.-Col. L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O., said the matter of a Tattoo first arose in his mind in connection with the Benevolent Association of the Regiment, and he asked the General if something on those lines could be run for the benefit of the funds of the Association. Circulars were sent out and other units expressed their willingness to take

part and it was decided that some time toward the end of the summer would be the most suitable time to hold the Tattoo.

Colonel Comyn said he went to Shanghai and inquired about the very successful Tattoo held there about this time last year. He had been told by people who saw it that it was a most impressive spectacle, and a great financial success. He wanted to know at that time how the funds necessary to start the Tattoo had been raised and what had been done in connection with the insurance policy which the War Office required against men taking part in military Tattoos. On the first point he found that \$5,000 had been agreed on as the necessary sum for preliminary expenses, and that amount was quickly subscribed by friends of the Military.

As a matter of fact the total expenses in Shanghai never exceeded \$5,000. This was mainly due to the Race Club, the Municipality and firms generally who placed their premises at the disposal of the Military and gave personal service in many ways.

The Shanghai Tattoo.

As regards the second point, that of insurance, they had considered \$50,000, the sum of the policy required in respect of some 12,000 officers and men taking part in the Tattoo. The insurance was effected at a nominal premium of \$10. He believed that the insurance companies in Shanghai pooled the risks.

He was glad to say that no accident of any kind occurred. The risk of accident was infinitesimal, being no greater than that to which the men taking part in a King's Birthday parade were exposed.

Returning to Hong Kong from Shanghai he wondered whether it was possible to raise the insurance policy. About that time he met Mr. R. Sutherland and he talked about the proposal to him. Mr. Sutherland was sympathetic, as he always was with matters concerning the welfare of the troops, and said he would make inquiries. Some time later Mr. Sutherland detailed the more ambitious scheme he had in his mind.

Col. Comyn said that when he planted the seed he had no idea that it would blossom out in the grandiose scheme they were now hearing about. Mr. Sutherland said at that time that the Y.M.C.A. authorities had been puzzling their heads to find ways and means to raise funds and keep on their work and had come to the conclusion that the best way was by a big Tattoo.

Col. Comyn said he had hoped to get the proceeds for the Benevolent Association funds but they finally agreed that providing the Tattoo was on a sufficiently big scale it might meet both financial needs, deciding to ask for the mutual co-operation and goodwill of those who could help.

The Financial Side.

Referring again to Shanghai Col. Comyn said that half the profits of the Tattoo were devoted to the Union Jack Club while the other half of the profit was handed to General Sir John Duncan to dispose of as he thought fit.

The local Military authorities had got together and had now decided on the general lines of the Military part of the Tattoo. A most important question was that of lighting and that would be in charge of the Royal Engineers. One part of the Military display would consist of massed bands, drums and pipes, these being features of Military tattoos.

Each unit in Hong Kong was prepared to stage one item all on its own, while the members of each unit were also prepared to give their services in other displays, such as torchlight processions etc. or in any other way required.

With regard to the King's Own Scottish Borderers they were prepared to give their services wherever required and to place the facilities of their headquarters at the disposal of others. In conclusion Col. Comyn mentioned that Col. Skinner, who was not present that day, would be the general supervisor of the Military part of the Tattoo.

The Civilian Side.

Mr. R. Sutherland said that His Excellency, General Luard and Colonel Comyn had already outlined the general scheme of the Grand Tattoo, so it only remained for him to deal with matters from the civilian standpoint.

"I think the arrangement whereby we have composite committees of Service representatives and civilians will commend itself to you. Speaking from our side, I would like to make it perfectly clear that, whereas everything possible will be done to hold meetings and conduct organisations with as little loss of time and inconvenience to members of Committees as possible, there will be a good deal of hard and responsible work to get through, but with proper organisation there is no reason why everything should not run smoothly."

The Happy Valley.

I think you will also agree with me that the venue of the Grand Tattoo is extremely suitable at Happy Valley especially as we hope to rely to a large extent upon the co-operation and assistance of not only the Jockey Club, but the Golf Club. The general idea is to partially enclose with a matting fence some 10 to 12 feet high, an arena 150 yards deep stretching from the end of the public enclosure of the Jockey Club, round to the north of the Public Stands to the north of the Jockey Club property. It is considered that with the erection of additional temporary stands there will be sufficient accommodation for all. It is suggested, if circumstances allow, to hold the Tattoo on possibly three nights with a change of programme, not necessarily three consecutive nights. The time of commencement will be 8.30 p.m.

The Weather.

This is an all important matter and it may be thought by some that the first week of September will prove a rather hot period for an undertaking of this kind, but there are reasons why later dates cannot be arranged.

Mr. Claxton has been good enough to prepare for us statistics of the weather during the first week of September between the hours of 6 p.m. and midnight, over the last 10 years, and strangely enough, although we have many evenings recorded as overcast and drizzle, there are only two nights in the period under discussion in which rain is reported. We can only hope that in this case the luck will be with us.

The service displays will be entirely under the direction of a Military Officer (whom you have been told is represented by Colonel Skinner). These displays will be supplemented by a scenario which has been prepared. The scenes of this scenario may seem on first impressions, somewhat ambitious but I will give you a general outline.

The Scenario.

Mr. Sutherland said it was thought that a purely Military Tattoo might not be acceptable to the whole community and it had been suggested that additional variety should be introduced into the undertaking. It was thought that more support would accrue if young ladies and young men took part in the venture.

Briefly describing the various tableaux to be staged, Mr. Sutherland said these would be presented between the various displays by military and civil units. After the opening by the massed bands he hoped there would be a Highland scene complete with a camp in the form of a prologue. Another episode would consist of a Buckinghamshire scene, showing a British soldier at an inn. There would be all the "revels" of a typical May Day celebration and he hoped that Morris dancing would be included.

A third episode would show the soldier departing for foreign service and would depict a troopship at the dock. A fourth would show a fort in the desert and this would be accompanied by a display by the Indian troops and other units. The fifth and final episode would show the return of the hero to his village, being received with rejoicing, and also the inevitable marriage ceremony.

Scenic Effects.

Continuing, Mr. Sutherland said: The scenic effects and mechanical features have been talked over with Mr. George Duncan and when I tell you that he informs me that there are no difficulties whatsoever and he will be glad of the opportunity of carrying out the necessary details, I think we may say that half our work in connection with that part of our production is already accomplished, and we can leave the matter in his capable and experienced hands with the utmost confidence.

We have yet to find a producer for the scenario and this will be one of the first matters to engage the attention of the Working Committee.

We shall also require an energetic Secretary for the civilian side of the entertainment and we shall be glad to have any suggestion in this connection, either now or later. As already mentioned, a production such as we have in view cannot be run without funds and as is customary in similar undertakings, the difficulty can only be met by a Guarantee Fund. It is somewhat difficult, if not impossible, at the moment, to estimate the entire cost of the Tattoo, but sufficient information is at our disposal to assure us that unless something of an unprecedented nature eventuates we shall have a substantial margin of profit as a result of our efforts.

We put our overhead expenses at the moment at some \$7,000, although we feel confident they will be much less, the amount mentioned is a nominal figure which we consider should be guaranteed before embarking on the venture. To assist we have had forms printed and it is hoped that these present and others will see

their way to guarantee the required amount, and, as already mentioned, unless something of an untoward nature occurs, there is very little chance of their being called upon for financial assistance.

We are glad to welcome our Chinese friends here to-day and we wish them to play an important part in the general arrangements of the Tattoo. Without their support our complete aims will not be realised.

Confident of Support.

We also wish to have the backing, both morally and practically, of the Portuguese, Japanese and other communities.

I take the opportunity of mentioning that we look to the Press of the Colony for their fullest assistance. A great deal of the success of the movement will depend upon publicity. In an experience of over 25 years in the Colony, I have always found the Press helpful and considerate and I feel that in the matter which is now before you we can once more rely upon their valuable assistance.

Mr. Pattenden has particulars of the suggested Committee and will submit their names to you. I would like to mention, however, that the Committees as now set forth, are merely of a skeleton nature and they will be added to as circumstances demand, and as names of those willing to assist are received.

In conclusion I would say that while there is a big task ahead of us, there is nothing to be afraid about, and the Committee feel confident that the Colony will support the movement to its fullest extent and that we can rely upon the interest and assistance of all sections of the community in an undertaking, which, for obvious reasons will no doubt fully commend itself to you.

Proposed Committees.

Mr. Pattenden, reading the names submitted for the committees referred to by Mr. Sutherland said:—I hope that all these gentlemen will be willing to serve and unless we hear to the contrary we shall take it as a sign of acquiescence.

These committees, of course, as Mr. Sutherland says, are merely skeleton ones and we shall be glad to receive names of other gentlemen, who have special qualifications to serve.

With regard to Chinese representation, may I ask if the Chinese gentlemen present this evening will submit names of Chinese who will be willing to serve. I suggest two names for each of the committees.

Committees.

The following committees were appointed:—

Working Committee.—Committee of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A., comprising the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Messrs. P. S. Cassidy, B. O. Blaker, Major E. J. Bone, J. H. Hunt and W. L. Pattenden. Other members:—Mr. E. W. Carpenter, Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, Messrs. J. P. Bragg, H. R. Forsyth, J. A. Bell, G. Duncan and B. Wylie.

Publicity Committee.—Messrs. B. Wylie, A. Hicks, G. W. C. Burnett, O. T. Breakspear, F. A. Perry, J. H. Hunt and W. Brackenridge.

Finance Committee.—Messrs. G. E. Towns, G. M. Bryden, J. Fleming, B. O. Blaker, H. R. Forsyth, A. Murdoch and D. Kinloch.

Scenario Committee.—Messrs. George Duncan, R. Sutherland, W. A. Hannibal, C. P. Anderson and R. O. Sutherland.

The chairman thanked the gathering for the attendance and interest shown in the project.

Mr. Pattenden proposed a vote of thanks to the General for taking the chair and suggested that those present should take advantage of the guarantee forms placed in the Hall. If that was done then he said, a lot of trouble and inconvenience would be saved.

The following were invited to the meeting:—

A. S. Abbot, Dr. G. E. Aubrey, C. G. Ainsbaster, C. P. Anderson (Palmer & Turner), F. Austin (David & Co.), J. M. Alves (1st, Chater-road), J. T. Bagram, G. M. Bryden, B. O. Blaker (Thompson & Co.), the Hon. Mr. B. D. F. Belth (Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.), N. S. Brown (Butterfield & Swire), Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird (Palmer & Turner), Lieut.-Col. F. Hayley Bell (Chinese Customs, Kowloon), J. P. Bragg (Braga & Co.), L. C. F. Bellamy (Hong Kong Tramway Co., Ltd.), W. H. Bell (Asiatic Petroleum Co.), O. T. Breakspear ("Daily Press"), G. W. C. Burnett ("China Mail"), G. K. Hall Brutton (G. K. Hall-Brutton & Co.), C. E. H. Beavis (Wilkinson & Grist), W. S. Bailey (W. S. Bailey & Co.), A. M. Bowes-Smith (616, The Peak), W. Brackenridge, C. H. Blason, "E. Cock" (Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co.), P. S. Cassidy (Hutchinson & Co.), Allan Cameron (Canadian Pacific Co.), Hon. Mr. H. F. Cressy (Director, F.W.D.), E. W. Carpenter (F.W.D.), F. H. Crappell (Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.), N. M. Currie, A. G. Coppin, R. M. Dyer

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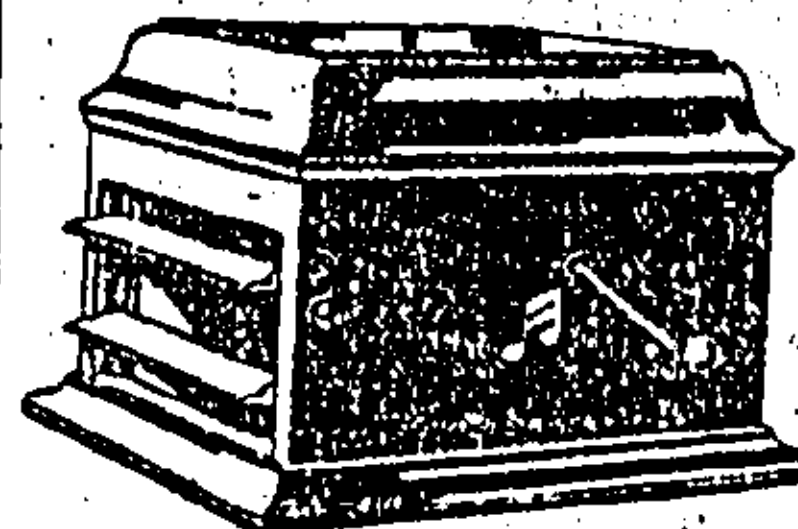
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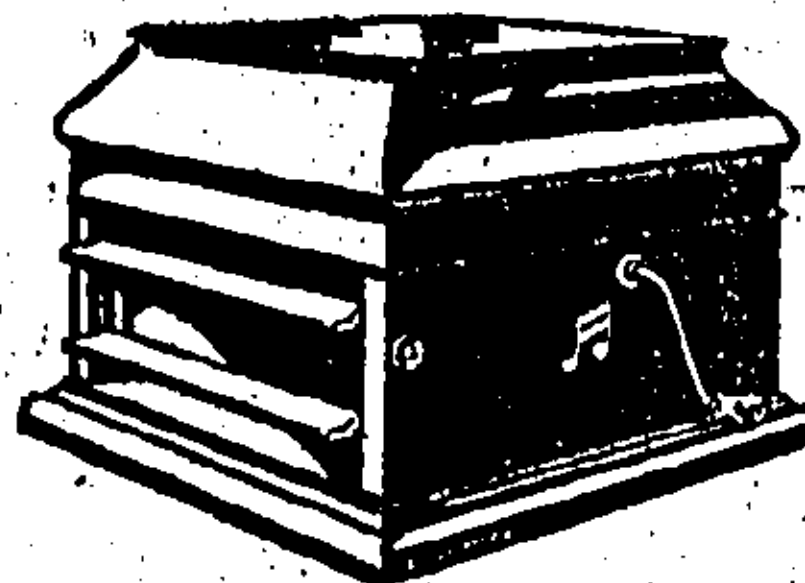
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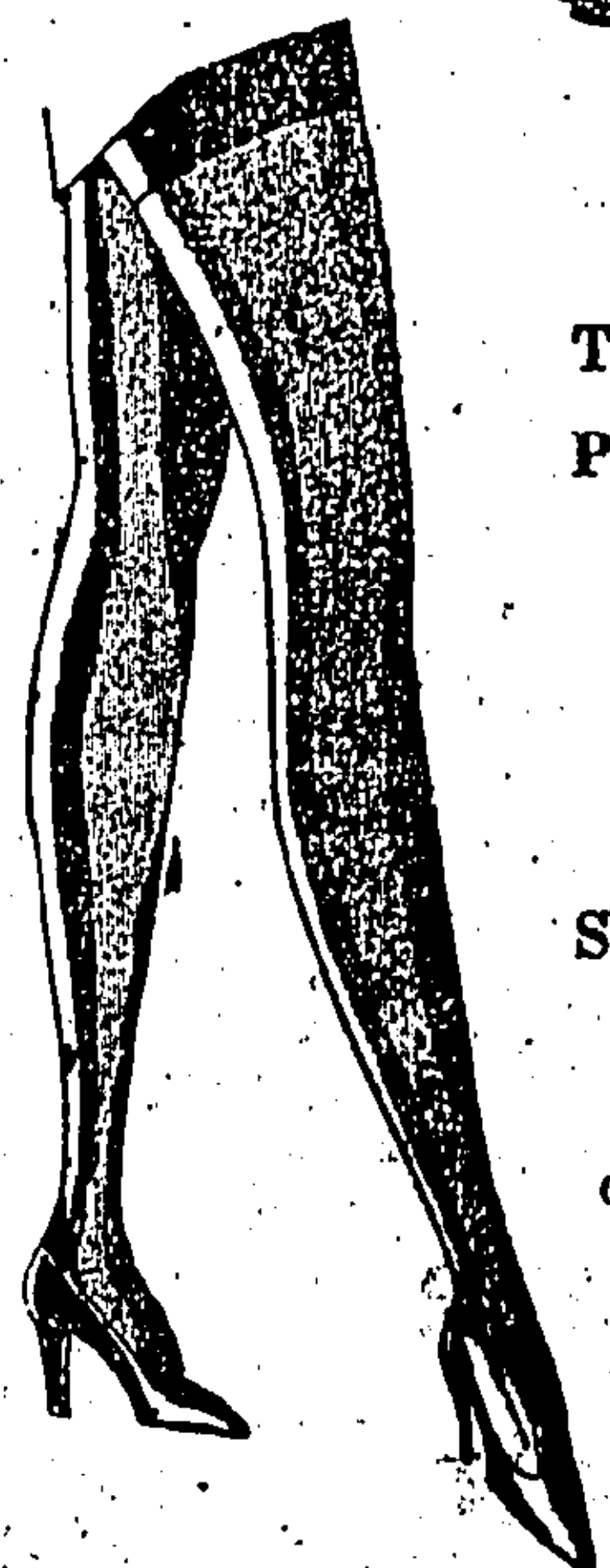
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LOCAL AND GENERAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. J. E. Singleton, K.C., a member of the Northern Circuit, has been appointed Judge of Appeal in the Isle of Man.

Bournemouth Town Council are to supply fifty tons of local shore sand for use at the children's recreation ground at Birmingham.

English breeders of Aberdeen-Angus cattle have decided to support the Shorthorn Society in advocating the compulsory licensing of stud bulls.

Mr. A. Barney, who has died at Crowthorne, aged 86, was for fifty years responsible for the cleaning of 500 pairs of shoes a day at Wellington College.

M. Ladislav Novak has been appointed Minister of Commerce, vice M. Peroutka. M. Novak has held the post in two previous Czechoslovakian Ministries.

The Norwegian Storting has endorsed the recent Order in Council of the Government establishing a gold standard on a pre-war basis in Norway as from May 1.

Anthony Williams, of Bedding, was walking home from Troedyrhiw, near Merthyr, when he slipped on the edge of an old quarry, fell 60ft. to the bottom, and was killed.

The New Zealand Anglican Synod has decided to appoint a Maori as Assistant Bishop to exercise episcopal supervision work for the Church of England among the Maori people.

Messrs. A. S. Watson's will be closed on Monday, on the occasion of the King's Birthday, but the H. K. Dispensary will be open for dispensing from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

Burgins who broke into a villa at Montolivet, a suburb of Marseilles, were so annoyed at finding no valuables that they smashed the furniture. On a table they left a letter addressed to the chief of police, challenging him to find them if he could.

Miss Mary Hargreaves, the 14-year-old schoolgirl from Bridgewater, who was seriously injured in a motor-car accident on Easter Monday, and who is now lying very ill in the British Hospital at Levallois, is reported to be making slow but steady progress.

There has been singularly restful domestic atmosphere of late, which rather intrigued the "Topicist" until he remembered of course that both H.E. and Right Hon. were studying other lands. Whatever else may be said about the Governor's Deputy there is generally a reverential calm brooding over the land when he is in charge.—"Singapore Free Press."

The F. M. S. time table, says the "Pinang Gazette," is out of print. Not a copy is to be had at the Penang railway offices nor at the Federal Rubber Stamp Co.'s store. It is about time that a new edition made its appearance; but the railway management should never allow its time table to go out of print. It is a very necessary item in the travelling public's outfit.

Yesterday afternoon Chinese farmers made a gruesome discovery in the waters of the district of Chaiwan, when they found the dead body of a Chinese in a drifting sampan. Attention being attracted to the sampan by its peculiar movements, some of the villagers rowed out to it, and made the startling discovery when they got alongside. The body was badly decomposed. The Shaukiwan police were immediately informed and had the body removed to the public mortuary. The body, which must have been in the boat for several days, was in such a state that it was beyond identification. Apparently it was the body of a man of about 50 years.

The Royal Asiatic Society gave a luncheon in London on May 8 in honour of Sir George Grierson to commemorate his completion of the linguistic survey of India. Lord Birkenhead, in a speech, said that it was astonishing that one man should have a mind so amazingly adapted to one branch of human study. "He could not lack conversational matter," said Lord Birkenhead, "being acquainted with 170 languages and 354 dialects." Sir George Grierson had rendered great service to the Empire. Sir George Grierson, in reply, told a story, in referring to the difficulties of surveyors in India, of a young surveyor who placed several villages on a map all with the same name. He explained that every time he inquired the name of a village, the same reply was given. The word used in reply meant, "I don't know."

Milk is being retailed at Oswestry at 2d. per pint.

Another party of Chinese Red Cross workers has left for the war front.

The Bible and Tract Depot, Wyndham-street, are holding a book sale during June.

The L.C.C. is now maintaining 20,000 lunatics, at an average weekly cost of 28s. each.



Phillips Lee Goldsborough, former Governor of Maryland, who has filed his candidacy for the seat in the U. S. Senate now held by Senator William C. Bruce, a Democrat and wet, is allied with Secretary of the Treasury Mellon's clan through the marriage of Mr. Mellon's daughter to the son of Senator Bruce. The question has now arisen as to whom Secretary Mellon will support, this Republican constituent, Mr. Goldsborough or Senator Bruce.

A site of roughly seventeen acres has been reserved at Muar for the erection of Johore Government buildings. Another site of three acres has also been reserved for a similar purpose at Muar. A site of three acres has also been reserved at Rengam for the erection of Government buildings.



Prof. Hugo Junker, inventor and designer of the Junker type of airplane, one of which, the Bremen, was used by Kuhl, von Hosenfeld, and Fitzmaurice on their successful trans-Atlantic flight, who when informed that the fliers had landed safely in Canada, declared that from the beginning he was confident they would make the flight. He further declared that the fliers, pioneers in their trade, had made every preparation for the flight as far as present means permit.

"Mr. MacDonald deserves well of his fellow-countrymen for the courage he showed in dealing with the Egyptian question when he was Premier." "Mr. MacDonald deserves well of his fellow-countrymen for the loyalty and far-sightedness he has shown in handling Indian matters since I became Secretary of State for India." This double-barrelled tribute to the Labour ex-Premier occurred in Lord Birkenhead's speech to the Ladies' Imperial Club and it is as well perhaps for Mr. MacDonald that he already has a moderately good opinion of himself; otherwise to be overwhelmed with praise from one of the first-class brains of Mr. Baldwin's Government might have tended to make him conceited. Incidentally (says a Calcutta paper in a recent issue) Mr. MacDonald appears to have a distinctly less favourable opinion of Mr. Baldwin than Lord Birkenhead has of Mr. MacDonald; for in the course of a debate on the rubber situation in the House of Commons last week—reported in full by the Ceylon papers, though not a word was cabled to India—the ex-Labour Premier accused his successor of having "mishandled" the question badly. In justice to Mr. MacDonald it may be noted that a great many people are of the opinion.

The derailment of an engine on the Southern Railway main line at Hildenborough, Kent, delayed traffic for two hours.

Saturday's moonlight picnic arranged by the St. Peter's Church Y. M. Club has been postponed. Weather permitting it will be held on Monday.

The Nationalist Government has issued an order for the lowering of flags to half mast on June 3 in observance of the humiliation suffered by the Chinese on May 8, at Tsinan.

Signor Gasparini, Governor of Erithrea, has been recalled. He will receive another important appointment. Signor Zoli, of the Colonial Office, has been appointed to succeed him.

Two fighter aeroplanes, piloted by Captain Petrovitch and Sergeant Jambachtich came into collision while manoeuvring at the Novi Sad Aerodrome, near Belgrade. The aeroplanes crashed and the two airmen were killed.

A verdict of suicide while of unsound mind was recorded at the inquest at Burwash, Sussex, on Herbert Taylor, owner of the local gasworks, and a member of the parish council, whose body was found on the railway.

Before leaving the Belvoir Hunt kennel to take up his new appointment with the Holderness Hounds Nimrod Capell, the retiring huntsman, was presented with a cheque for £725, subscribed by 148 friends and admirers in the Belvoir country.

A trial of direct telephonic communication between Kiruna, Upper Lapland, and Geneva, a distance of 2,420 miles, was perfectly successful. It is claimed that this is the first time telephonic communication has been established over such a distance in Europe.

At a meeting of the New Zealand Dairy Board at Wellington, Mr. Grounds moved that the export licences of five dairy companies which had refused to supply information to the Board regarding prices paid for produce shipped on f.o.b. basis and prices realised on the consignment should be cancelled. The motion was, however, defeated by 9 votes to 3.

The Singapore health statement for the week ended May 12 gives 247 deaths, the rate being 29.02, compared with 30.90 in the preceding week and 30.24 in the corresponding week last year. The leading causes of death were: Pneumonia 47, phthisis 28, malaria 22, convulsions 21, beri-beri 18. The infantile death rate was 176.6, compared with 213.1 in the week preceding.

The engagement is announced between Mr. Malcolm Berkeley, of Gapis estate, Padang Rengas, youngest son of the late Major-General James Cavan Berkeley, C.I.E., and of Mrs. Berkeley, 65, Carlisle Mansions, Victoria-st., London, and Christine Thornton, of the Malay College, Kuala Kangsar, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Thornton, of Oxford.

A 15-year old Chinese girl who was charged recently before the Third Police Magistrate (Mr. C. H. Dakers) at Singapore with buying a ticket in a Chap Jee Kee lottery pleaded that she knew nothing about lotteries. She was standing at her front door, she said, when a passing Chinese placed a piece of paper in her hand with the request that she was to hand it to her mother. Mr. W. E. Demuth, for the defence, submitted that the girl had rebutted the charge against her. The girl was, he added, of tender years. "I do not know about her being of such tender years," remarked the magistrate. "I do not believe her." His Worship imposed a fine of \$10.

A client who went into a Stock Exchange broker's office one day, writes "Autolycus" in the "Financial Times," said he was going away for some years. He had £50 that he would like to play with, to lose or double. The broker bought him 2,000 shares at 6d. each—Kaffirs they were—and the client paid for them, taking them up in his own name. Several years elapsed, before the client, in the meantime having gone round the world several times, returned to his broker's office and asked the price of his shares. The broker demanded to know where on earth he had been, saying that the firm badly wanted to get hold of him in order to let him know how his shares had moved. Cutting a long story short, the broker went into the House and sold the 2,000 shares there and then at £11.15s. per share, giving the client a profit of £23,350 less the expenses. This is not a fairy tale. It actually occurred. There ought to be an obvious moral.

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Bound for Hong Kong from a neighbouring port and flying the British flag, the s.s. "Teian" was pirated this week and taken to Bias Bay. En route, the pirates wished to reach Aberdeen, the township on the south of the island, to pick up some fishing boats to complete their scheme. Ultimately, they gave Hong Kong a miss. In the end, they were pursued by a landing party from a British warship, H.M.S. "Somme," and also by parties from a Chinese Customs cruiser led by two foreigens.

These are some of the features in another chapter of the history of the China Seas. The story is reproduced in the "Overland China Mail" and will make presentable reading in other parts of the world. Do not fail to send a copy away. Doing so will save a good deal of tiresome letter writing.

The departure for North China of the flagship of the commander-in-chief of the China Squadron will arouse intense interest at Home. "Hawkins" has gone, as everybody knows, because of the situation up there. Developments in the situation, with careful explanations and sidelights, are recorded in the "Overland."

All the week's local activities are described, including such as the exposure of the "Femina" hoax, Decoration Day observances, the Queen's Regiment memorial dedication, etc.

WHEN YOU GO ON LEAVE.

Hong Kong's spring exodus has begun. Are you going Home on leave this year? If you are, you will be surprised by the number of persons who will ask you about China and Hong Kong. You will be astonished at the number and type of silly questions put to you in all good faith. And you will have to admit reluctantly (if only to yourself) that you are not quite certain. Will you be believed, though? Keep in touch with Hong Kong and China by having the "Overland China Mail" sent to you for a stipulated period.

By spending a little time while you are on holiday, you can keep yourself well informed if you have the "Overland." The articles which you will seek are written to help non-Chinese to understand. In any case, you will not regret, from your own point of view, being posted with the main developments (reported in brief) while you are away.

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Sport Columns

LAWN BOWLS.

A QUESTION CROPS UP.

TO-MORROW'S MATCHES.

[By "Bias"]

It is unlikely that there will be any play to-morrow. The greens have been saturated all week but later they will feel the benefit of this down pour. A heavy continuous fall of this nature enables one to get a good idea of the lie of the greens, and pools of water show up conspicuously greens that are not true. In this respect I notice that the Police Green has been well and truly laid and must be beautifully drained. Next door Civil Service Green has improved beyond recognition.

A question has cropped up. The old man's game is famous like golf, for providing food for argument. Two players in the Open Championship agree to play on a neutral green on a certain day. That day the Green proper is closed by order of the green-ranger concerned; but practice rinks are laid out on another part of the ground. The player wishes to try his luck on the practice rink but the other says "nothing doing." A referee who was asked to take on the job the day before refuses to give a decision. What is to happen?

If the games take place in the first division K.C.C. and Kowloon Dock should be a hard tussle. Since their unexpected defeat by Craigengower the Dock have been looking for some side to beat and show that they are potential champions. Civil Service entertain the Peckers and I doubt if they can win even on their own sod. A heavy green however might help them as the whole twelve are experienced players.

Kowloon Bowling Green at home to Taihook is another problem and the home side have my vote. The friendly game at King's Park, between Club de Recoire and Craigengower will tell us quite a lot. Both sides think they can win the respective Shields and the Kowloonites are anxious to figure in the first division next year.

In the second division the Yacht Club have a big advantage in being at home but the Bowling Green's second string will take some beating. East Point at home are formidable but if they take the Civil Servants too cheaply they will get a sad reminder. With the Sugar men dispersing, what is going to happen at East Point? They will probably not be able to field a strong side to finish their fixtures. Taihook seconds should account for K.C.C. and Craigengower seconds at home should beat Club de Recoire "B". The main point is the weather and if the genial secretary of the Bowls Association would only make Jupiter Pluvius an honorary vice-president things might be different at the week-ends.

Division I.

Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon D.R.C. Civil Service v. Police R.C. Kowloon B.C.C. v. Taihook R.C.

Division II.

Yacht Club v. Kowloon B.C.C. East Point v. Civil Service. Taihook R.C. v. Kowloon C.C. Craigengower v. Recoire "B".

THE DERBY.

THE FINAL ACCEPTANCES ANNOUNCED.

London, Yesterday. For the Derby the final acceptances are:

Yocmanton, Advocate, Helms, Felstead, Constantson, Fairway, Sunny Trace, Gang Wally, Royal Crusader, Royal Minstrel, Cyclone, Portchell, Ranlitsingh, Luvanan, Black Watch, Flamingo, The Wheeler, Fernkloof, Camelford, Bubbles the Second, O'Curry, Grange View, Scintillation and Palals Royal the Second.

[Pictures of the Derby candidates will appear in to-morrow's "China Mail" local pictorial section—Home Service.]

Mr. Harold Watson, of Ross-on-Wye, has again accepted the mastery for the coming year of the Wye Valley Otter Hounds, a pack hunting chiefly in Monmouthshire and Gloucestershire.

LOCAL TENNIS.

ANOTHER BREAK IN LEAGUE FIXTURES TO-MORROW?

SIXTEEN MATCHES.

Local tennis courts have been so thoroughly soaked during the week that the chances are very remote of the full programme of sixteen matches in the league being carried out to-morrow. Should there be no further rain to-day and to-morrow and the sun comes out in all its intensity a few of the more hardy courts may be playable.

TO-MORROW'S MATCHES.

"A" Division.

Craigengower v. H.K.C.C. Kowloon C.C. v. Indian R.C. University v. M.B.K.

"B" Division.

M.B.K. v. Recoire. Craigengower v. South China. Indian R.C. v. University.

"C" Division.

R.A.O.C. v. Recoire-2. South China v. Filipino Club. H.K.C.C. v. Chinese R.C.-1.

"D" Division.

Recoire-1 v. Indian R.C. Kowloon C.C. v. Civil Service. Chinese R.C.-2 v. Nippon.

"E" Division.

Kennedy-rd. M.Q. v. R.A.M.C. Kowloon I.T.C. v. Y.M.C.A.

HARD COURT TENNIS.

COCHET AND MISS BENNETT WIN PARIS DOUBLES.

Paris, Yesterday.

In the final of the Mixed Doubles in the French Hardcourt Championships at Autueil, Cochet and Miss Eileen Bennett defeated F. T. Hunter and Miss Helen Willis by two sets to one. The American pair won the first set, but were outlasted by Cochet and the British lady. The scores were: 3-6, 6-3, 6-3.—Reuter.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

HONG KONG PLAYS THE UNITED SERVICES.

SAYER'S MAKES 97.

The Hong Kong Interport cricket team yesterday started a two days match against the United Services at Shanghai.

Hong Kong batted first and scored 205. Sayer was in great form and made 97 not out. The last wicket put on 70 runs. Hancock contributed 27 towards the total, Musson 23 and Owen Hughes 19.

Rain Interferes With Play.

Shanghai, Yesterday. Hong Kong won the toss against United Services and went in to bat, and were all out for 205 runs. Sayer scored 97 runs not out, Hancock 27 and Musson 23. Melsome securing five wickets for 97 runs.

The United Services obtained 95 runs for two wickets. The morning's play was shortened by rain, but despite bad weather the game continued in the afternoon.—Reuter.

VISITORS WIN.

WEST INDIES DEFEAT NORTHUMBERLAND.

London, Yesterday.

At Newcastle the West Indies defeated Northumberland by an innings and 45. West Indies scored 342. Challenger 146. Northumberland made 81. Griffith 6 for 32 and 216.—Reuter.

IRISH GOLF.

E. WHITCOMBE TAKES TITLE.

Newcastle, (County Down), Yesterday.

The Irish open golf championship was won by Ernest Whitcombe with 68, 69, 73 and 78, total 288. Companion took 292. Other scores: Herbert Jolly 296. T. Cotton 299. Jack Smith, Charles Whitcombe, Abe Mitchell 300. Duncan 314.

FIRST 1,000.

HALLIOWS GETS 232 RUNS AT MANCHESTER.

London, Yesterday.

At Manchester, playing for Lancashire against Sussex, Halliows scored 232 runs and reached the 1,000th run in May. This has only twice been previously accomplished, once by Grace in 1895 and once by Hammond in 1927.—Reuter.

OLYMPIC GAMES.

ARTICLES BY FRED W. PARKER.

FLAGS FOR FINLAND.

The Olympic Games became more and more the monopoly of America, but an amazing challenge came from little Finland at Antwerp.

The spell was broken as pointed out by Mr. Fred W. Parker, in continuing his historic series on the Olympiad specially for the "Athletic News."

Hitherto our history of the modern Olympiads has been little more than a record of United States monopoly of chief honours. As we have seen, Athens, Paris, St. Louis, London, Stockholm, each in turn had emphasised the almost unchallenged supremacy of America in track and field athletics.

In the contests that really matter—after all, Baron de Coubertin's ideal, the "purely athletic events," unquestionably overshadow the remaining 70 or 80 items in these long drawn-out Olympiads—America had held undisputed sway.

Of what may be regarded as the "standard" athletic events, the States won 20 firsts at St. Louis, 15 in London, and 14 at Stockholm. At Antwerp came a bolt from the blue. America's monopoly was more than challenged; it was broken. The fortuitous inclusion of the 56lb. weight-lifting, for the only time in European Olympiads, alone gave the States a bare majority of wins over little Finland.

Of the twenty-nine events America won nine to Finland's eight. And British Empire representatives sent up seven winning flags. For the first time in modern history the Games had ceased to be a one-country show.

Hill's Double.

The double win of Albert G. Hill was extraordinary. Here was our four-miles champion of 1910 turning out a world beater at the half-mile in 1920. Hill's Antwerp times were 1 min. 53.2-5 secs. for the 800 metres and 4 min. 1.1-sec. for the 1,600. A year later, of course, he won our mile championship in record time, 4 min. 13.4-5 secs.

Our other wins at Antwerp were the four 400 metres relay, the steeplechase (Percy Hodge), and the tug-of-war. That hurdlings marvel, Earl J. Thompson, of Canada, took the hurdles in 14.4-5 secs., the only Olympic winner to beat 15 secs. "flat," and the Oxford Rhodes scholar, B. C. Rudd, who won the 400 metres, elected almost at the last moment to run for his native South Africa instead of the Mother-Country.

A few weeks earlier he had represented England in the Triangular International at Crewe.

We had seen the wonderful pace of Hannes Kolehmainen in his thrilling finish with the Frenchman Bouin at Stockholm. With his compatriot Nurmi a sure winner of two races at Antwerp the great Hannes turned his attention to the Marathon, an event in which his brother Tuti had failed at Stockholm after leading for more than ten miles. Hannes won in the fastest time yet put up in this classic contest; another instance that speed, properly husbanded, is essential to success in Marathon racing.

Another Games record was credited to Finland when Myrra threw the javelin 215ft. Nurmi, too, beat Kolehmainen's Stockholm record, and Finland's other winners, Pohola and Niklander, went mightily near creating fresh records. At Stockholm Finland was a vassal State. The Russian flag with a distinguishing "P" was hoisted to denote her victories. Almost coincident with the Antwerp Olympiad, Finland had been declared a free Republic. And gloriously her athletic sons celebrated their new-born independence.

Five World's Records.

The latest Olympic celebration;

that of Colombes, Paris, in 1924, is so comparatively recent that its story is well within recollection.

Who does not recall with pride the splendid achievements of Harold Abrahams in the sprint, of Eric Liddell in the 400, and of Douglas Lowe in the 800 metres? Or that the first named showed rather better than three yards inside events when making an Olympic record (10.2-5 sec.) for the 100 metres, that Liddell gave us the fresh figures of 47.8-5 sec. for the 400—a full two seconds better than the Antwerp winner's time—while Lowe went very near indeed to Meredith's record in the 800?

There the measure of our home-land successes ended, but to score in three of the chief events—and with such world-beating performances, was ample compensation. We might fairly have anticipated

ANTI-NIPPONISM.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Then fourth accused proceeded to speak of Chang Tso-lin, the Northern leader, and also referred to him as a "running dog" who was in collusion with the Japanese to destroy China.

Later, the accused also called Marshal Li Chai-sum a "running dog" and a traitor. He then urged the crowd to boycott the Japanese "because they are trying to destroy our country."

The first three accused signified their approval of this by clapping their hands.

Chief Detective Inspector Murphy then handed up translations of the pamphlets which were made at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

The "Tame Dog."

This document, a lengthy one, which is condensed below, was read by the Magistrate, who made special mention of the following clause:

"Overthrow the British Imperialists and their tame dog, Li Chai-sum, and take revenge for those who met their death at Sha-ki."

C.D. I. Murphy said that a large majority of the pamphlets, seized by the police, were of this type. The accused were all local men. The first three accused claimed that the pamphlets which they had were given to them by demonstrators who went away just before the police arrived. No. 4 said that he was invited to address the crowd and did so and dealt on the situation, on the lines of what he had read in the newspapers. He did not call anyone a "running dog," although he had heard "lectures" by medicine vendors in which that expression had been used.

The Magistrate convicted Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of possession and distribution of the pamphlets, and No. 4 of lecturing to the detriment of peace and order in the Colony.

"Out to Cause a Row."

His Worship said that he was satisfied that all four had acted in concert and were out to cause a row or induce the crowd to rise against the Japanese. The remarks about the generals, he said, were nothing. They merely represented a matter of opinion but, taken on the whole, the lecture was an invitation to the crowd to commit a breach of peace.

His Worship then sentenced the four accused to nine months' hard labour each, and made similar remarks with regard to the remission of sentence after three months, as in the previous case.

The Kowloon Case.

Anti-Japanese propaganda has been effectively quelled, and there have been no further cases of the same nature brought before the notice of the Magistrate, said Inspector Fallon to the Kowloon Magistrate this morning, when two Chinese and a young girl were brought before Mr. Schofield.

A week's formal remand had been granted for the case in which the Chinese and the girl are alleged to have distributed seditious papers to the passers-by in Waterloo-road, Yau-mat, on May 23, about two weeks ago, so as to enable the alleged pamphlets to be translated.

This was the third time the case has been remanded. The third defendant, was formally charged with two offences, (a) that he did behave in a disorderly manner in Waterloo-road on May 23, and (b) that he caused an obstruction in the said road on May 23 at the time of delivering a lecture.

The accused pleaded "not guilty" to both charges.

According to Police evidence a patrol on May 23 in the evening in the cause of duty came upon a large crowd gathering in Waterloo-road, near the side wall of Sincere Co. Ltd. (Kowloon Branch), and proceeding to investigate.

a further win but for the fact that the tug-of-war was omitted for the first time since 1900.

In addition to the rope-hauling event one of the walks and the 56lb. weight were deleted at Paris. The athletic events were thus reduced to 26. As at Antwerp, America was first in actual wins, Finland second, and Great Britain third.

Only One on the Flat.

America won both relay and both hurdle races. The 200 metres was her only success on the flat in individual competition. That was the greatest surprise of all.

Records were plentiful at Colombes. America set up world's records in both relay events. Winner of Australia, easily eclipsed all previous figures in the hop-step-and-jump; Nurmi, holder of the world's record at the mile, of the 4 min. 10.2-5 sec. reduced Jack's 1,500 metres time by over 400—a full two seconds better than the Antwerp winner's time—while Lowe went very near indeed to Meredith's record in the 800?

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gate the matter saw the defendant standing on a stool, speaking loudly to the people around him. They caught him saying "the following words, 'General Chiang Kai-shek and Marshal Li Chai-sum are 'runnings dogs' and are selling their own country. Japan is an imperialistic nation, and they have pressed, crushed and killed our nation. All our brethren should come together.'"

The crowd was estimated to number 100 and they effectively blocked the road.

His Worship: Was the crowd in any way excited.—No. But some were reading pamphlets and others listening to the orator.

The crowd dispersed quietly, and there was little difficulty experienced in the arrest of the accused.

His Worship: Are there any Japanese shops in Yau-mat near Waterloo-road?

Inspector Fallon: No. Your Worship, there are no Japanese shops, but there are Japanese living in Yau-mat. The coal fields, owned by Japanese, are quite near-by.

The defendant, pleading "not guilty," said that he did what he thought was right and his duty. He denied having said such words as: "General Chiang Kai-shek and Li Chai-sum are 'runnings dogs,' and 'a nation selling thieves.'"

"I simply read what the vernacular papers contained," he added.

"Lightning Speeches."

Sergeant Motheram said that the orators always made lightning speeches, gathering a crowd, then quickly moving to another corner, to again make a lightning speech.

His Worship: These proceedings of yours might have caused serious consequences had there been any Japanese around at the time. You have committed a breach of peace.

The defendant said he was an unemployed jewellery maker, and had been in the Colony for 8 years. A sentence of 2 months' imprisonment was imposed, in addition to being bound over in a \$100 bond to be of good behaviour for 12 months.

The following is a translation of the pamphlet:

Manifesto by the Canton Office of the General Labour Union of all China to the Workers in Hong Kong in respect of the Massacre by the Japanese Imperialists of the Chinese subjects and soldiers at Tsinan.

Our Hong Kong Workers!

Our Brave Workers who have long been engaged in war!

The Japanese Imperialists have again massacred our Chinese subjects and soldiers at Tsinan. The people at Tsinan who have been fired at by the guns and cannons of the Japanese Army at Tsinan, and who have shed their red and hot blood, have made a complaint before our poor working brethren about the cruelty committed by the Japanese Imperialists and the shameless submission to the latter of the Chinese Militarist, Chiang Kai-shek who has sold the heads of our Chinese people in support of the evil work of the Imperialists.

Our fellow-workers! Our Hong Kong Workers! You just think of this. With what words can we condole with those who have died for the incident? How shall we deal with the Japanese Imperialists and their tame dogs? What measures should be adopted to protect our lives from being killed by the Japanese and other Imperialists?

Our fellow-workers! We are all human beings. We have not been born to be slaves to the Capitalists, nor have we been born to be executed or shot as criminals by the Imperialists or Militarists.

Our fellow-workers! think of this: "How pitiful" our working class are! When we leave our factories after much sweating we are liable to be shot dead by the Imperialists or Militarists. Take for instance the great number of poor people in Tsinan. No sooner had they escaped from the knives of Cheung Chung-cheong than they met with the murderous guns and cannons of the Japanese Imperialists called in by Chiang Kai-shek; and their bodies were thrown into the Gulf of Chilli, what an inhuman action!

Our Hong Kong Workers! While you are sorry for the people killed at Tsinan, you should remember the terrible sweeping of the machine guns of the British and French Imperialists at Sha-ki, Canton. I believe a number of the Hong Kong workers are survivors who had escaped from the sweeping of the machine guns of the British and French. Alas! Hong Kong Workers! have you got to protect yourselves from being arrested and killed by the British Imperialists and their tame dog, Li Chai-sum when you are expelled from your working places by the Chinese and Foreign Capitalists in Hong Kong? Our Hong Kong Workers! The misery caused by our working

TEASERS.

Answers to To-day's Questions.

1. M. Doumergue.
2. The late Dr. Sun Yat-sen.
3. Ten per cent. on August 1, 1914.
4. The Ancient Order of Froth Blowers.
5. Mr. Bert Temple, a Londoner, in September, 1924.
6. Four shillings in the £.

class by Capitalist Society is too great an instance of their inhumanity. The Imperialists, Militarists and the Capitalists, being not satisfied with profiting by our sweated labour, have again caused us to be executed and shot miserably and innocently. Fellow-workers! think of this! What wrong have we done and what evil have we committed.

Hong Kong Workers! Can we allow the Imperialists, Militarists and Capitalists to continue to oppress, exploit and massacre us? Can we stop the Japanese, British, French and American Imperialists continue to commit massacre everywhere? Are we cool-blooded animals? Are we not sorry for the people killed at Tsinan? Can we still refrain from waking up? Shall we fail to make a demand for the proper protection of our lives? Are we afraid to take revenge for the people at Tsinan? Wake up! Workers! We have not been killed yet; we have not been starved yet; so we must unite together! Get up! Get up! Get up!

Hong Kong Workers, let us get up in a body and call out:—Overthrow the Japanese Imperialists and their tame dog, Chiang Kai-shek, and take revenge for the people at Tsinan. Overthrow the British Imperialists and their tame dog, Li Chai-sum, and take revenge for those who met their deaths at Sha-ki.

Overthrow the Capitalists who have exploited us.

Overthrow Capitalist Society that has caused us sufferings. Establish a Labourers' Government—Raise the workers' livelihood—Protect the labourers' lives.

Stop work for one day so as to show commiseration for the people and soldiers who have been killed at Tsinan.

CYCLE LAMP.

CHINESE STATEMENT PROVED TRUE.

The discovery of a motor cycle lamp in the possession of a Chinese workman at the Yau-mat Ferry yesterday afternoon led to the man's appearance before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistrate's court, on a charge of being in possession of the article without being able to give a satisfactory explanation as to how he had got it.

The defendant said the lamp had been given to him by a tenant of his in lieu of a month's rent for a cubicle which he had let.

The case was remanded for 24 hours to allow time for the Police to investigate the matter further. "What the defendant says is quite true. Both the other tenants of the flat have proved that it is so," said the Sergeant. The defendant was accordingly discharged.

ANTI-WAR TREATY.

MORE ACCEPTANCES OF AMERICAN INVITATION.

Washington, Yesterday.

Besides New Zealand, the Irish Free State and Canada have accepted the American invitation to participate in the negotiations with regard to the Anti-War Treaty.—Reuter's American Service.

London, Yesterday.

The Foreign Secretary, in a note to the United States Charge d'Affaires, says the Government of New Zealand received with warm appreciation the invitation to become an original party to the Treaty of renunciation of war, and would be happy to share in any negotiations leading to the conclusion of the Treaty.—Reuter.

The modern glass jelly and I like her, but I think it is perfectly disgusting the way she makes up in public. Dame Ethel Smyth. These are days of impatience of anything beyond a quarter of an hour or twenty minutes' sermons. Canon E. O'Jones.

MONEY & SHARES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

Bank wire	2 1/2	1/16
Bank on demand	2 1/2	9/16
Bank 30 day's sight	2 1/2	9/16
Bank 4 months' sight	2 1/2	9/16
Credits, 4 months' sight	2 1/2	9/16
Documentary 4 months' sight	2 1/2	9/16
On Paris	1287 1/2	
On demand	1287 1/2	
Credits, 4 months' sight	1287 1/2	
On Berlin	1842 1/2	
On demand	1842 1/2	
On New York	50	
On demand	50	
Credits, 60 days' sight	51 1/2	
On Bombay	136 1/2	
Wire	136 1/2	
On demand	136 1/2	
On Calcutta	136 1/2	
Wire	136 1/2	
On demand	136 1/2	
On Singapore	88 1/2	
On demand	88 1/2	
On Manila	100 1/2	
On demand	100 1/2	
On Shanghai	74 1/2	
On demand	74 1/2	
30 day's sight (private paper)	74 1/2	
On Yokohama	108 1/2	
On demand	108 1/2	
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	9.45	
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	27 11/16	
Silver (per oz.)	27 11/16	
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	5% prem.	
Chinese Copper Cash non.	Chinese Copper Cents 6% prem	
Rate of Native Interest	7% p.m.	
Chinese Sub. Coin	32 1/2% dis.	
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.		

THE SHARE MARKET.

Stock	Hong Kong Stock.	Exchange.
T.T. on London	2 1/2	
T.T. on Shanghai	74 1/2	
Banks.		
Hongkong Bank	1125 1/2	a n
do. Lon. Reg.	1135 1/4	n
Chartered Bank	121 1/4	n b
Mercantile A. & B.	138 1/4	n n
P. & O. Bank C.	141 1/4	n n
Bank of East Asia	102 1/2	n n
Insurances.		
Canton Insurance	1320	n
Union Insurance	1320	s b
North China Insurance	1130	n
Yangtze Insurance	1130	b n
China Underwriters	12 1/4	n
China Fire Insurance	1280	b
H.K. Fire Insurance	1740	n
Shipping.		
Douglas	136 1/4	b
H.K. Steamboats	128 1/2	n
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	132	n
Indo-China (Pref)	137	b
do. (Def.)	135	n
Shell Transporta	134 1/2	n
Water	120 1/2	n
Mining.		
Benrust	11 1/4	n
Kailan Mining Ad.	58 1/2	n
Langkots (Combined)	112 1/2	n
do. (Single)	112 1/2	n
Shanghai Explosives	180	s
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Rauba	74	n
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GOOD MUSIC?

WHAT IS IT? A FASCINATING PROBLEM.

THE CHARLESTON.

[By Basil Maine, in the London "Morning Post."]

Music has never been more widely appreciated than it is now. The word "appreciation," however, must be qualified. It is too often assumed that because music is in the air, in the literal sense of the phrase, the community at large is entitled to claim that desirable virtue which is known as "being musical." The virtue, if such it is, has been not so much attained as thrust upon us. Clearly it is not the result of a sudden desire springing from the Heart of the Great Public.

That strange organ has been so lethargic in response to musical stimulus in the past that its feverish pulsing at the present time points to some artificial cause. Yet it would be wrong to ignore this activity. There is a genuine desire on the part of many people to appraise music at its proper value. And those who have undertaken to help the inquirers are constantly meeting with difficulties.

Good Art.

One of the most difficult of the problems which are raised is expressed in the question, "What is good music?" or, more simply, "What is goodness in music?" Here is one of the explanations I have encountered, "Good art is that which arouses in us emotions stronger than ourselves." This, I take it, refers to aesthetic experience—the power in us of taking things as they are and fixing their value without reference to context.

This isolation of judgment is an extremely difficult process; and, in any case, the existence of this power in us does not of itself explain the nature of goodness in music. It only shows it to be a relation. We listen to a symphony; we receive a series of impressions; the series is telescoped into a single impression; we judge that impression to be something that can be delighted in; also as something desirable. These qualities in the experience constitute the goodness therein; but this goodness is in the experience, not in the thing experienced.

A Stinging Retort.

Human nature, however, is perverse. Whenever anything happens to the average man he assigns the quality of the experience to the cause thereof. It is natural enough. If he is stung by a bee, he regards the bee as a creature with a stinging retort. The bee, on the other hand, regards itself as a creature with a means of self-protection.

So that when it comes to defining what "goodness" in music really is, the most exact thing we can say is this: that quality in any composition which produces an experience that can be called good (according to the definition above) is goodness. That is, there are two "goodnesses," and not merely one, however identical they may seem to be.

There is yet another quality, and one that is conveyed by the literal meaning of the word "good," which in its root meaning signifies the idea of fitness. Let us call it Aptitude. A saxophone is well adapted to its end, and therefore is, from the viewpoint of an instrument-maker, a work of art. We can say the same of a Rolls-Royce and a fountain pen. "Are these things, then, to be classified with 'The Magic Flute' and the 'St. Matthew Passion'?" Yes, all these are in the same class. "And is their value equal?" No, for there is this important criterion. Just as the degree of suitability will determine the class, so the value (real or apparent) of the

purpose that is served will determine the position in the class.

The Charleston. So, then, in so far as a Charleston tune achieves its purpose, namely, to incite people to dance the Charleston, it is a good Charleston-tune. But it must fulfil further conditions before we can assign to it the quality of superlative goodness.

The questions are (1) Is it enjoyable in itself, apart from the violent disturbance of equilibrium which it brings about? (2) For how long is it enjoyable? Individual experience, of course, will count for something in answering these questions, but it is also possible to make a general observation and to assert that a really great musical work lives by reason of its own inherent health and vitality and not merely by the artificial respiration supplied by temporary fashions.

Let me return to the definition of good music quoted at the beginning of this article. According to this definition we are to recognise as being good any music which arouses in us emotions stronger than ourselves. Apply it to an ordinary incident. A man is disturbed in his sleep by some well-meaning but vocally untalented singer.

They bid him to do that which he is most loath to do, "to salute the happy morn." He comforts himself with the thought that the ill-bred performance will soon be at an end. His hopes appear to be unfounded, for the singers have lulled themselves into a kind of perpetual song. His indignation grows, and finally his emotions become stronger than himself, and he precipitates himself into some violent act of revenge.

If the above definition holds, then the stimulus which is responsible for this act must be accounted "good music," whereas common opinion, impeded by no philosophical theory, merely describes it as a nuisance.

THE MUSIC SOCIETY.

BOURNEMOUTH CONGRESS.

Bournemouth, May 1.

The British Music Society's seventh annual congress opened at Bournemouth to-day, when delegates arrived from all parts of the country to take part in a programme of discussions on musical subjects, excursions, and social events. Few towns more appropriate than Bournemouth could have been chosen for such gatherings, as the town has always been in the front rank as regards its musical reputation, whilst Sir Dan Godfrey at the Winter Gardens Pavilion has always given the greatest encouragement to British composers' works and to British soloists.

To-night the delegates attended a reception at the Town Hall, given by the Mayor and Mayoress of Bournemouth (Alderman and Mrs. H. J. Thwaites), followed by an excellent concert. Among the interesting subjects to be discussed during the week are the future of opera in England, the speakers including Dame Ethel Smyth, Miss Lilian Baylis, Mr. Rutland Boughton, Mr. Frederic Austin, Mr. John Tobin, and Mr. Basil Maine. The influence of the wireless and the gramophone on our musical life is another subject which will be discussed, among others, by Sir Dan Godfrey, Mr. Cyril Scott, Mr. A. Brent Smith, Mr. Francis Toye, and Mr. D. Millar Craig.

Lord Howard de Walden, president of the society, will preside at the annual banquet on Friday evening, at which Sir Hugh Allen and other well-known people in the musical world will speak. Other items of a full programme include a visit to Bournemouth's £250,000 pavilion and concert hall, which will be opened next March, a reception by Mr. Graham Peel, the local president, and a symphony concert on Thursday afternoon by the Municipal Orchestra.

BERLIN'S OPERA.

BRILLIANT AUDIENCE AT REOPENING.

WONDERFUL STAGE.

Berlin, May 1.
The most brilliant company assembled anywhere in Germany since the revolution gathered here last evening for the re-opening of the rebuilt State Opera House, in Unter den Linden, a photograph of which appeared in "The Daily Telegraph" of Saturday.

Brought together exclusively by invitation, the house was representative of the country's highest distinction in official service, in law and learning, in the musical, literary, graphic, and plastic arts, in finance, industry and commerce, and of course, in the drama. The heads of the Diplomatic Corps completed a dazzling social picture which more than made up in intellectual eminence for the loss of the Guards' uniforms, always thrust into the foreground on such occasions in Wilhelmian days.

Though it is true to say that the theatre has been rebuilt, the external alteration has been comparatively slight. The facade, with its double set of steps leading up to the never opened doors, has been preserved by superstitious piety. The chief outside change which strikes the eye is the disappearance of the hideous skeleton staircases which crawled about the walls like gigantic centipedes and which were built between twenty and thirty years ago, when it had become clear to everybody that in the event of a fire panic the Opera House would be a death-trap and that the great majority of those imprisoned in it by the insufficiency of its exits and corridors would inevitably perish.

In the auditorium, too, the spell of the past has sacrificed thoroughness of reform to gilt mouldings, supposed to have an irreplaceable artistic value. Unless attention had been called to the fact in the Press, the great majority of last night's guests would probably not even have noticed that the crown had at last disappeared from above the old Royal box, where Hindenburg's impassive features successfully concealed his notorious distaste for music, and that the angelic figures whose outstretched hands once held this kingdom emblem over the head of its legitimate wearer, are now apparently only seeking one another's embraces. The actual increase in the seating capacity of the house does not exceed 200 places.

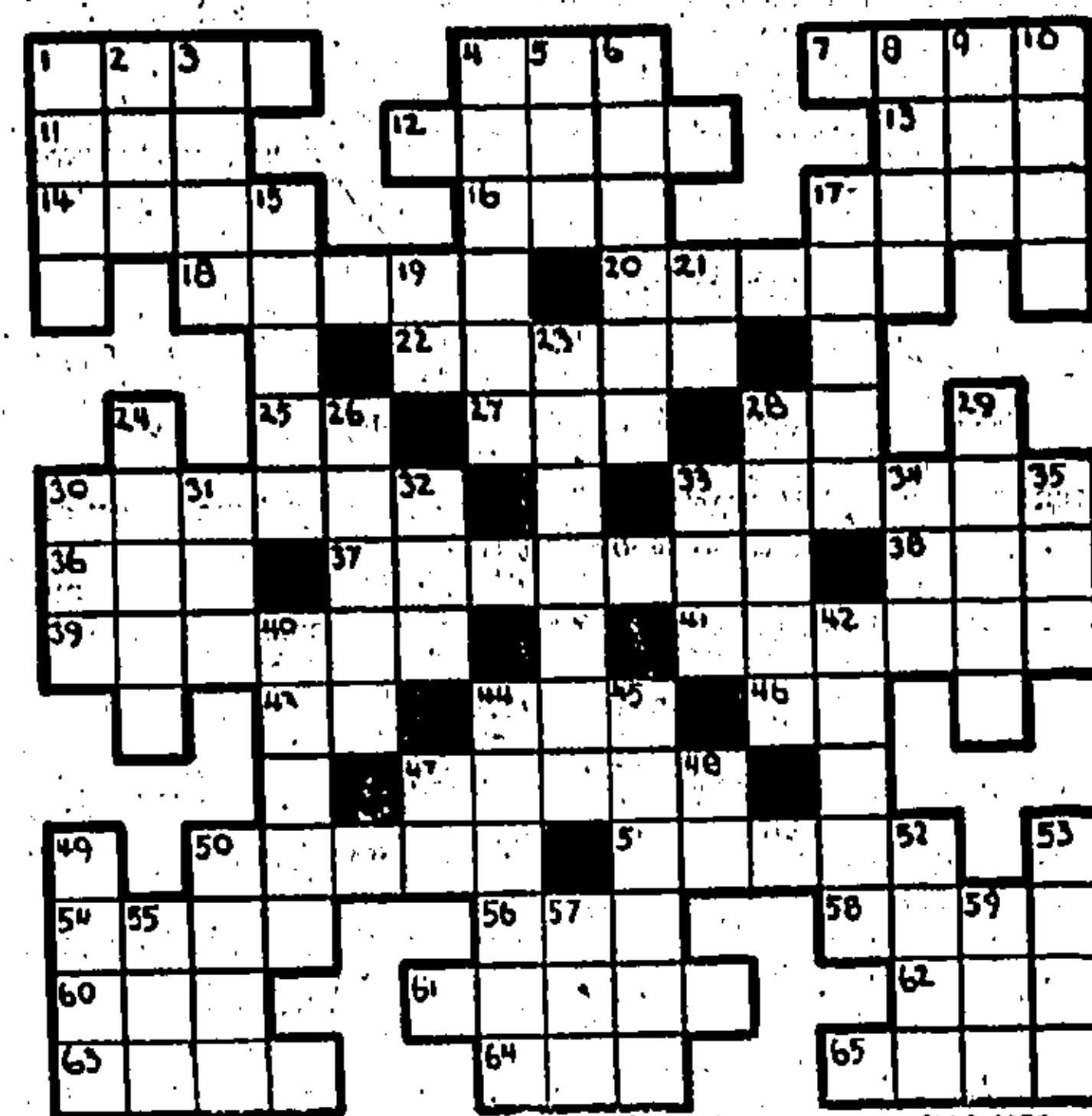
On the other hand, the work behind the proscenium has been so fundamental that the vast pit into which any one of the six segments of the stage can be sunk to a depth of over thirty feet had to be constructed as an impervious caisson in order to prevent the intrusion of surface water. It is claimed, and no doubt with truth, that so far as scenic contrivances and lighting are concerned the Berlin Opera House is now better equipped than any other theatre in the world. To demonstrate its qualifications in these respects, the pleas that the occasion required honour for a modern German composer were disregarded and the "Magic Flute" was chosen for the re-opening.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.
ACROSS: 1. Large oil of cloth (abbr.) 2. Prefix "in" 3. Partly open 4. Man's name 5. Man-eating fish 6. American country (abbr.) 7. Burden; responsibility 8. Girl's name 9. To life 10. A river of Eden 11. Exile 12. "Of age" (Latin abbr.) 13. N. E. State of U. S. (abbr.) 14. To wave the hair in a certain way 15. Mass of stored hay 16. Sooner than 17. Pertaining to the nerves 18. Girl's name 19. Children or descendants 20. Musical exercise (abbr.) 21. One or any

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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| <p>HORIZONTAL</p> <p>1—Large oil of cloth (abbr.)
4—A for (England)
7—Partly open
11—Man's name
12—Man-eating fish
13—S. American country (abbr.)
14—Network of nerves
15—A suffix of nouns
17—Burden; responsibility
18—Girl's name
20—To life
22—A river of Eden
25—Exile
27—"Of age" (Latin abbr.)
28—N. E. State of U. S. (abbr.)
30—To wave the hair in a certain way
33—Mass of stored hay
36—Sooner than
37—Pertaining to the nerves
39—Girl's name
39—Children or descendants
41—Musical exercise (abbr.)
43—A musical note</p> | <p>HORIZONTAL (Cont.)</p> <p>44—A diminutive suffix
46—Prefix "in"
47—River in S. E. France
50—Long wooden seat (abbr.)
54—To affirm
55—Ambassador (abbr.)
58—Lease
60—A metal
61—A beast's muzzle
62—Born (Fr.)
63—Has (old form)
64—It is (contr.)
65—On the top</p> <p>VERTICAL</p> <p>1—Post
2—Suffix—same as "pau"
3—Behind time
4—The muse of joy
5—Scull
6—A petiole disease
7—Month of roses
8—Island group, S. W. of New Guinea
10—Artifice
15—Pertaining to ethics
17—Suffix—"fulness"
19—Epistle (abbr.)
21—One or any</p> | <p>VERTICAL (Cont.)</p> <p>23—Abject
24—A windy month
26—A medical plant
28—A social class
29—Delta
30—Combining form—"middle"
31—Portuguese coin
32—French for "the"
33—Tint
34—Wet earth
35—Existed
40—To proffer, volunteer
42—Beneath
43—Island off N. W. coast of France
45—A place of utter darkness (Class. Myth.)
47—An adjective ending
48—Example (abbr.)
49—Road
50—Inclination
52—A holy season
53—To walk
55—"By way of" (Latin)
57—French for "me"
59—Combining form—"new"</p> |
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(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

WITH VILMA.

BRITISH ACTOR TO "STAR."

FRENCH GIRL TO LEAD.

Mr. Samuel Goldwyn, who came to Europe to find an actress to play the lead with Ronald Colman, and an actor to be featured with Vilma Banky, has found both.

The actress is Lily Damita, the French girl, who has "starred" in French, German, and British pictures, the best known being "Red Heels." She appeared in the Noel Coward film "The Queen Was in the Parlour," recently released.

Mr. Goldwyn has not announced the name of his new male "star," but I have reason to believe that it is Walter Butler, the English stage and screen actor.

Mr. Butler appeared on the stage in "Havoc" and "The Best People," among other plays. He has a leading part in "Passion Island," the British picture now showing at several London cinemas. He also played in "One of the Best," "Victory," His most recent film is "Tommy Atkins," which has not yet been shown.

A Boy Actor.
A new British film "star," who, although quite untrained can register any emotion and deport himself naturally without apparent effort, has been found by the Gaumont Company.

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John made his real debut in "The Physician," the picture based on Henry Arthur Jones's play, which has just been completed at Shepherd's Bush.

Before that he had passed for several nationally-known products. Then he got a few days work in film studios, and finally was engaged by Gaumont's.

John did so well in "The Physician" that the scenario of "Mademoiselle" was at once revised to give him a bigger part. He will now appear in more than a hundred "shots," or roughly one-third of the picture.

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WORK RELIEF.

BRITISH STANDARDS AND
THE UNITED STATES.

[By Harold Cox.]

Speaking at a women's Unionist Conference, Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, the Minister of Labour, gave an extremely optimistic account of the present position of the employment problem in Great Britain. He went, indeed, so far as to say that "the general conditions of working life in England, compared favourably with those of any other industrial country in the world, not excluding the United States. And this was true, despite the fact that certain industries were hard hit at the present moment."

If the Minister of Labour had confined his comparison to European countries it might be accepted as absolutely true. Beyond question the British working man is better paid, and has generally a shorter working day, than men employed in corresponding industries in other European countries. As regards the United States, however, it is very doubtful whether what Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland said can be substantiated. It is true that at the present moment there seems to be an extraordinary volume of unemployment in the United States. Some American newspapers have gone to the point of saying that there are four million people out of work. Even if this figure is exaggerated, the fact, of a great wave of unemployment in the United States must certainly lead many people on this side of the Atlantic to ponder over previously accepted theories with regard to the causes of unemployment.

American Mechanisation.

English people have been apt to assume that in North America, with its vast territory, with a working population largely free from arbitrary trade union restrictions, and with industries relatively unburdened by taxation, industrial prosperity might be accepted as a permanent factor. The truth is that in no part of the world can uniformity of employment be guaranteed under any economic or social system. Activity of employment finally depends on activity of demand, and that may often be affected by circumstances over which man can have no control. For example, the Lancashire cotton trade has long been dependent for a considerable portion of its export business on the Indian demand for English cotton goods. But so far as that demand comes from the mass of the peasantry it is inevitably affected by the prosperity of Indian agriculture, and if the monsoon rains fail the Indian peasant's crop will fail also, and his power to purchase Lancashire cotton goods will temporarily disappear. In the case of the United

States, no such simple illustration is available, but it is suggested that the Mississippi flood, by destroying a vast amount of wealth, has reduced purchasing power, with the result that many manufacturing industries are suffering from a loss of business.

A further suggestion is made from American sources that the mechanisation of industry in the United States has involved a considerable reduction in the aggregate demand for manual labour. That is a very doubtful proposition. It is the kind of argument that the less intelligent manual worker in this and in all countries is fond of using as a ground for his opposition of labour-saving devices. If through the centuries that argument had held good, the world would have stood still. The progress of industry is due to the constant development of improved methods of production. Such improvements may, it is true, temporarily lead to a larger increase in the output of particular goods than the world demand can absorb; but ultimately improved methods of production, by cheapening the useful or the attractive things that men and women want, render possible a higher standard of human life, which in turn involves an extension of industry to meet the wants of that higher standard.

Growth of Pauperism.

As regards our own special problems in Great Britain, it is perfectly true, as Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland stated, that the number of people actually employed has increased as compared with the pre-war period, but simultaneously there has been a still larger increase in population. The final result is that we now have, according to official figures, over a million people drawing unemployment benefit and nearly as many drawing outdoor relief. That is really our essential problem recently, and we do not get any nearer to a solution of it by noting the fact that, in spite of this volume of unemployment, our people are enjoying a higher standard of life than those in other European countries.

What we have to aim at is to maintain that higher standard, and to extend it, but also to get rid of the ugly fact of the unemployed remainder. To some extent the numbers of unemployed are actually increased by our present national and local devices for relieving unemployment. As frequent reports from the Ministry of Health and in the newspapers have made clear, numbers of men and women, are drawing the unemployment dole, or drawing outdoor relief, who could obtain work if they did not find it more profitable to accept public charity. In many cases also people are drawing relief while living in idleness at home with families who are earning a very substantial joint income.

The actual figures of the present period, as compared with the pre-war figures, are startling. A recent report issued by the Ministry of Health states that in November, 1927, the number of persons in England and Wales receiving outdoor relief was 951,500, as compared with 866,767 in November, 1913. It is also interesting to note that the amount of relief given per person was 5s. 11d. in the latter period and only 2s. 6d. in the former. The scale of relief has notoriously been raised, and, in addition, individuals are allowed to continue drawing relief for longer periods. Simultaneously the national government has been for several years engaged in paying unemployment benefit at rates which themselves tempt many persons to become unemployed.

Wages Versus Doles.

The money that the local guardians and the national government thus scatter broadcast over the country does not drop from the skies. It has to be provided out of the pockets of ratepayers and taxpayers, and those pockets can finally only be filled by the productivity of industry. In a word, lavish relief for unemployment imposes a burden upon industry which adds to the costs of production, thus diminishing the producer's power to sell his goods, and thus itself increasing the amount of unemployment.

This is the essential fact to which the Labour Party especially ought to devote its attention. At present there is a tendency in that party, as well as in the other two political parties, to concentrate effort on a demand for further State assistance for unemployment. That is a plausible attitude in view of the obvious hardships which unemployment entails upon the man who is honestly seeking work. But if the final issues involved were made clear to the public it is certain that the majority of self-respecting English working men would plump for a social system which rendered possible an extension of industry and the payment of higher wages rather than for a system which itself promotes unemployment and pauperism.—"Sunday Times."

The London Education Committee recommend an expenditure of £2,430 in extending the London County Council Trade School for Girls in Queen-square, Bloomsbury. The demand for extension arises from a need for improved accommodation for the junior school, and a request by the trades, which include tailoring, for more trained pupils. The scheme will provide accommodation for twenty-five more girls.

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MISSING "ITALIA."

The Search Being Continued.

THREE PLANS OF ACTION.

Italians, Norwegians, Swedes And Russians Co-operating.

Rome, Yesterday.
The Government has instructed the baseliner "Citta di Milano" to continue the search for the missing airship "Italia."

Three plans of action are being organised in co-operation with the Norwegian, Swedish and the Soviet Governments, notably by aeroplanes.

The third plan, namely a land expedition will only be carried out if the aerial search discovers the spot where the "Italian's" crew have possibly taken refuge.—Reuter.

LABOUR CONFERS.

DEBATE AT THE INTERNATIONAL GENEVA MEETING.

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS.

Geneva, Yesterday.
The subject of the prevention of industrial accidents was debated at the International Labour Conference. The Indian representative referred to the high accident rate in connection with coupling and uncoupling of railway vehicles and stated that the Government had consequently decided to adopt the automatic centre buffer coupler.

Mr. Kasama (Japan) said that no fatality had been caused in coupling work last year. He favoured the adoption of the automatic couplings.

Mr. Bevin (British Workers' delegate) referred in the pride to the advanced measures against accident prevention in Britain. He urged the preparation of a convention on the subject.

Mr. Gregorson (British Employers' delegate) agreed.
Sir Delevingne thought that better results would probably be gained by the adoption of the resolution advocating protective measures than by an international convention.—Reuter.

BALLOON STRUCK.

U.S. ARMY PILOT INJURED; ASSISTANT KILLED.

OTHER BALLOONS STRUCK.

Greenburg, Yesterday.
The pilot of a United States Army balloon, which took off from Pittsburgh yesterday morning in a national elimination race, was killed when the balloon was struck by lightning and burned to cinders. Several other balloons were struck, but none seriously.

Later.
It now appears that the pilot of the balloon Lieut. Ward Venor, winner of the Gordon Bennett Cup in 1926, was not killed, but had his leg broken jumping from the balloon with a parachute. His assistant made a free jump from the balloon and was killed.—Reuter's American Service.

TIDAL WAVE.

TERRIBLE DESTRUCTION AMONG FISHING FLEET.

400 MEN REPORTED DROWNED

Tokyo, Yesterday.
According to a special despatch to the "Hochi" from Sapporo a tidal wave has destroyed fishing boats off Sarubutsu on the north-east coast of Hokkaido.
Over 400 fishermen are missing, and they are believed to be drowned, though official confirmation is lacking.—Reuter.

MAY 30 IN SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The observances here, in memory of the Chinese who lost their lives in the disturbances here on May 30, 1925, passed off quietly.—British Naval Wireless.

The food of this country to-day is purer and less adulterated than it has ever been before.—Dr. James Fenton.

BALKANS' STRIFE.

Demonstrators & Police Injured.

COUNTER DEMANDS.

Italians Emphasise Necessity of Ending "Sultry Atmosphere."

Belgrade, Yesterday.
It is officially stated that 16 demonstrators and nine policemen were injured in last night's disturbances. The latter are in hospital. Sixty arrests included 17 students, since released, and 40 "young Communists."

The Italian Minister has made repeated representations to the Government during the last few days as regards the anti-Italian demonstrations and has emphasised the necessity of ending the "sultry atmosphere" created by the disorders. Besides demanding the punishment of the police in failing to prevent the demonstrations, he asked compensation for the losses suffered by Italians in Yugoslavia.

According to the "Politika" the Yugo-Slav Government will ask for similar satisfaction in respect of losses by Yugo-Slavs in Italy.—Reuter.

COTTON TRADE.

COMMUNISTS INTERFERING IN THE DISPUTE.

CRUDE PHRASES.

Communists are active at Nelson (Lancashire), where a deadlock continues. The pavements are chalked with such phrases as "Moscow Calling," "Smash all the Boss Bullies," "The Weavers' Union repudiate the Communists' interference."—Reuter.

TERRIFIC TORNADO.

WHOLE REGION SHAKEN BY EARTHQUAKE.

RESIDENTS IN PANIC.

Guatemala City, Yesterday.
A tornado swept the Peten region on May 29. The earthquake has also shaken the entire region, driving to panic the residents.—Reuter's American Service.

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Calcutta, Yesterday.
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CHEUNG CHAU NOTES.

May 31.
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On the other hand we have to welcome Mr. and Mrs. May, who have just returned from their honeymoon up the Yangtze. They will stay in Dr. Cliff's residence for some months.

Some members of the New Zealand Mission will be coming to No. 8, and Mr. and Mrs. Ferrier from Canton will be staying in No. 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson, who spent about 10 days in No. 12, have now returned to Canton.

The second of the big theatre troupes has come and gone (run by the vegetarian sect) and now the matched by the fisherman's Temple, which was not entirely pulled down is being reconstructed for the latest of these annual performances. We understand this is held for the benefit of the local branch of the Tung Wah hospital.—Our own correspondent.

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PIRACY PREVENTION

QUERY FROM CHINESE SEAMEN'S UNION.

LETTER TO SKIPPER.

The "China Mail" has been asked by the Chairman of the Chinese Seamen's Associated Union to publish the following copy of a communication which has been addressed to various steamship companies:—

On account of the frequent occurrence of piracies to steamers, it is understood that letters have been sent by the Government to various organisations for devices to prevent their recurrence and to arrest the pirates, in order that they may be practically suppressed. This matter has also been put before a meeting of the General Chamber of Commerce, and we think a full regulation has been made out for this purpose.

Our object of establishing the present Union is to co-operate labour and capital. It is a great danger to both the proprietor and the crew in case a piracy occurs, and on no occasion should the latter fold up their hands and do nothing. But as we understand that the Prevention of Piracies Ordinance does not provide any compensation to our seamen, we beg to enquire if there is such a provision in your Company's regulations.

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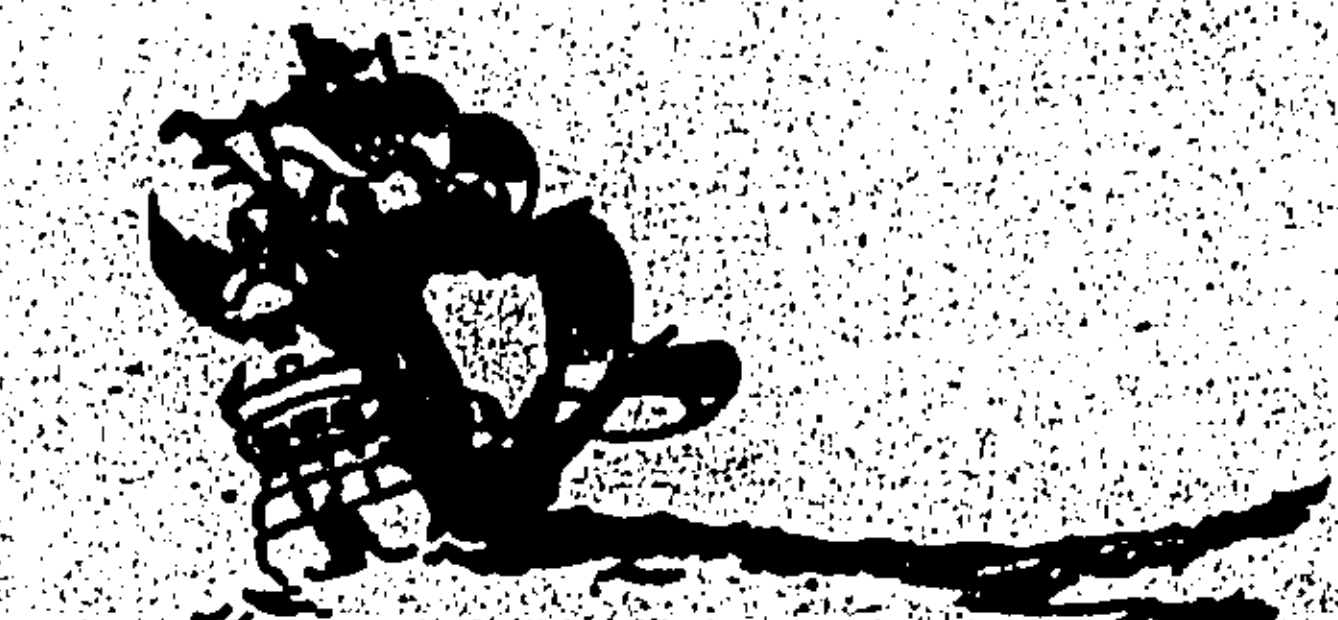
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